





# **Town of Stoneham Massachusetts**



**Firefighter  
Eric J. Bernat**

## **Annual Report 2015**

**On the Cover:**  
**Eric J. Bernat**  
**Stoneham Fire Department**  
**Appointed Firefighter 12/19/02-3/17/15**

On March 17, 2015 the Stoneham Fire Department experienced a great loss when Firefighter Eric Bernat passed away unexpectedly. Eric was a lifelong resident of the Town of Stoneham. He graduated from Lasell College in June 2002 with a degree in exercise physiology, and Cardiac Rehabilitation, where he was awarded the exercise physiology book award for overall performance. Appointed to the Stoneham Fire Department on December 19, 2002 he attended the Massachusetts Firefighting Academy and graduated on March 28, 2003. While attending the Fire Academy he received a commendation from the Wayland Fire Department for rendering medical assistance to the victims of a very serious motor vehicle accident which he had witnessed while driving home from the Academy.

After attending the Academy Eric was once again commended for his professional performance and contributing actions taken at a multiple alarm fire at 166 William St in February of 2004. As well as being a certified CPR Instructor, he obtained his Emergency Medical Technician Certification during his time on the Fire Department. Eric worked part time as a cardiac rehabilitation therapist as well as a certified personal trainer.

In addition to Eric's skills and accomplishments his professionalism and caring demeanor showed through on every call he went on. He always went above and beyond to show everyone that he cared, treating everyone with respect and dignity, making everyone feel special in times of crisis. While not responding to calls, Eric's dry wit and eagerness to lend a hand around the station never went unnoticed. He would help anyone at any time without question or hesitation.

His dedication was also evident in his personal life with his family. He often spoke about spending his free time with his niece Samantha, and nephews Adam, Darren, and Derek. They meant the world to him, which was clear by the smile you could see on his face as he told stories of the times they shared. He was a dedicated son to Phil and Susan Bernat as well as a brother to Chris.

Eric is sorely missed every day by his brothers at the Stoneham Fire Department who will never forget the contributions, experience, and dedication which he brought to the Fire Department as well as to the Town of Stoneham.

Respectfully,

Chief Matthew Grafton

# Massachusetts

## Annual Report 2015

### Board of Selectmen



Left to right: Selectman John F. DePinto, Selectwoman Caroline Colarusso, Chairman Thomas Boussy, Selectwoman Ann Marie O'Neill and Selectman Frank Vallarelli

(Photo by William T. Ryerson)

## Community Profile

**Incorporated:** December 17, 1725

**Land Area:** 6.6 square miles

**Population:** 21,437

**County:** Middlesex

**Form of Government:**

Town Administrator  
Five-member Board of Selectmen  
Open Town Meeting

**FY16 Tax Rate per Thousand**

Residential \$12.70  
Commercial \$22.55

**Annual Town Election:**

1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday in April

**Annual Town Meeting:**

1<sup>st</sup> Monday in May

**FY15 Town Operating Budget:**

\$67,694,300

**FY15 Assessed Valuation:**

\$3,194,789,862

**Senators in US Congress:**

Edward J. Markey  
Elizabeth Warren

**Representative in US Congress –  
Fifth Congressional District:**

Katherine Clark

**Commonwealth of Massachusetts  
Sixth Councillor District:**

Terrance Kennedy

**Fifth Middlesex Senatorial District:**

Jason Lewis

**31<sup>st</sup> Middlesex Representative  
District:**

Michael Day

**District Court:**

Woburn, Massachusetts



Once a major shoe manufacturing center, the Stoneham of today is a residential community whose commerce includes a balanced mix of retailing, service businesses, and a scattering of light manufacturing.

Recreational facilities abound in Stoneham. Little League Baseball, Youth Basketball, Commonwealth Youth Football Conference (CYFC) and Cheer, Youth Hockey, and Soccer Club are all active in our town. The Stoneham Boys and Girls Club provides indoor recreation year

round and has agreed to enter into a joint venture with the Department of Conservation and Recreation in running the Hall Memorial Swimming and Wading Pool. Town-owned Unicorn Recreational nine-hole golf course, par three Stoneham Oaks golf course, and an indoor heated skating rink at Unicorn Arena are available for community use. There is also a private nine-hole golf course at Bear Hill Country Club. Our Whip Hill wildlife sanctuary and manor house, consisting of over thirty acres, is a prized asset of Stoneham. The Walter D. Stone Memorial Zoo attracts many visitors.

The Middlesex Fells Reservation, one of the State's largest parks, comprises a major portion of Stoneham (32%) and offers nature trails, bridle paths, and picnicking. The Department of Conservation and Recreation facilities in Stoneham consist of the following: Bear Hill Observatory, Spot Pond and Outdoor Skating Rink.

Stoneham has an outstanding public school system, including Northeast Metropolitan Regional Vocational School, and also offers private education at St. Patrick's School, Seventh Day Adventist School, and private kindergartens.

Churches include All Saints Episcopal, Boston Korean SDA Church, Calvary Baptist Church, First Baptist, First Congregational, St. James United Methodist, St. Patrick's Roman Catholic, and Stoneham Memorial Seventh Day Adventist.

Central Animal Hospital and Stoneham Animal Hospital both care for our pet population.

Stoneham's Senior Center is a source of pleasure for our elder residents, whether they partake of the noontime meal or join in the many planned activities for their enjoyment.

Public housing is available for both senior and low income residents.

The Town is 98% sewered, and the Public Works Department renders outstanding service as to plowing, sanding, etc.

The Town of Stoneham official website is [www.stoneham-ma.gov](http://www.stoneham-ma.gov).

Comcast, RCN, and Verizon provide cable television service in Stoneham, allowing for a choice. Our local newspapers, the Stoneham Independent and the Stoneham Sun, are published weekly.

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## **Town Officers and Committees**

### **BIKE AND GREENWAY COMMITTEE**

Cameron Bain, 2016	Dolly Smith Wilson, 2016	Catherine Moore, 2018
Mary Furrier, 2016	Dorothy Bergold, 2018	Anthony Wilson, 2018, Chairman
Julie Shulman, 2016	Cynthia Hemenway, 2018	
William Murphy, 2016	Joan LeMire, 2018	

### **BOARD OF APPEALS**

Raymond Michael Dufour, 2016	Laurence J. Rotondi, 2016	Vacant, Associate Member, 2015
Tobin Shulman, 2017	Robert M. Saltzman, Chair, 2018	
William Sullivan, 2017	Eric Rubin, Associate Member, 2016	

### **BOARD OF ASSESSORS**

Anthony C. Kennedy, 2016
William J. Jordan, 2017
Craig J. Celli, 2018

### **BOARD OF HEALTH**

Theresa Dean, Secretary, 2016
Christine M. Carino, Vice Chair, 2017
John J. Scullin, Chairman, 2018

### **BOARD OF SELECTMEN**

Thomas Boussy, Chairman, 2018
Ann Marie O'Neill, Vice Chair, 2017
Caroline Colarusso, 2018
John F. DePinto, 2016
Frank Vallarelli, 2016

### **CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

Frank Vallarelli -BOS	Dan Moynihan -PB	Marie Christie -SC
Ben Caggiano -FAB	Les Olson -Superintendent	David Ragucci -TA
Bill Previdi -Resident, 2017	Tom Barry -Resident, 2016	Vacant-Resident, 2015

### **CONSERVATION COMMISSION**

Eric Buckley, 2016	Ellen McBride, Co Chair, 2017	Rachel Rennard, 2018
Norman L'Esperance, 2016	Robert Parsons, Co Chair, 2017	Nicolas DiCarlo, Associate Member, 2016
Megan Day, 2017	Domenick Cimina, 2018	Herlinda Charpentier Saitz, Associate, 2016

### **CONSTABLES**

David Luciano, 2018
Robert E. Moreira, 2018
Robert W. Nardone, 2018

## CONTRIBUTORY RETIREMENT BOARD

James J. McDermott, Jr., Employees' Representative 2017  
John J. Scullin, Retired Fire Lieutenant 2017  
Janice T. Houghton, Chairman 2018

Ronald J. Florino, Town Accountant Ex-Officio  
Kathleen Sullivan, Designee of the Selectmen

## COUNCIL ON AGING

Paola Scannelli, Secretary, 2016 Celia Schulhoff, 2017  
Kathleen Hudson, Chair, 2017 Mary Zatta, 2017  
Connie Rosa, Vice Chair, 2017 Maureen Buckley, 2018

Rebecca Buttiglieri Coluntino, 2018  
Marge Neylon, Corresponding Secretary

## CULTURAL COUNCIL

Lisa Gallagher, 8/09/15  
Dennis O'Hara, Chairman, 12/10/15  
Mary Celli, 11/9/13

Catherine Granese ExOfficio  
Ann McPherson 9/30/17  
Jane DiGangi, 12/17

## DISABILITY COMMITTEE

Kathleen Balestrier, 2016  
Howard Porter 2016  
David Ragucci 2016

Sue Coughlin 2018, Chair  
Lorna Saulnier, 2017

## FARMERS MARKET COMMITTEE

Tammy Fallon, 2016  
Toni Nolfi, 2016  
Kristy Sinagra, 2016  
Julie Boussy, Chair, 2017

Liz Erk, 2017  
Kathryn FitzGerald, 2017  
Lauren Murphy, 2017

## FINANCE & ADVISORY BOARD

Stephen Dapkiewicz, Chairman, 2016  
Devon Manchester, 2016  
Angelo Mangino, 2016  
Rachael Meredith Warren, 2016

Ben Caggiano, 2017  
Robert Verner, 2017  
Patricia Walsh, 2017  
Julianne DeSimone, 2018

Stephanie Hayes, 2018  
Hilde MacCormack, 2018  
Russ Wilson, 2018

## HISTORICAL COMMISSION

Stephen E. Rotondi, 2016  
Robert Shannon, 2016  
Joan Quigley, 2017

Dolly Wilson, 2017 Vacant, 2016  
Marcia M. Wengen, Co Chair, 2018 Joanne DiMambro, Alternate 1 year, 2016  
Margaret Zoladkowski, 2018

## HISTORICAL SOCIETY

President Paulene Bee Russo,  
2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President Donna M. Weiss

1<sup>st</sup> Vice President Susan Doucette  
Treasurer Robert VanTichelt

Secretary Faith Jenkins

## HOUSING AUTHORITY

Gerard J. Cunningham, 2016  
Robert Daniels, 2016

Thomas E. Anderson, Chair, 2018  
Kevin McLaughlin, 2018

Michelle Meagher, 2019  
Sharon Wilkins, Exec Director Ex-officio

## MEMORIAL DAY COMMITTEE

Michael Doucette  
James Lamb  
Jay Humphreys

George Parsons  
Maureen Buckley, Chairman  
Frank Geary

Kevin Cantwell, Vice Chairman  
James Devlin, Veterans Agent

## MIDDLE SCHOOL BUILDING COMMITTEE

### Voting Members:

Jeanne Craigie, Chair, Lisa Gallagher, Vice Chair, David Bois, Ben Caggiano  
Marie Christie, William Previdi, R. Paul Rotondi, Mark J. Ventola, Thomas Boussy

### Ex Officio Members:

Chris Banos, Principal, Michelle Cresta, Director of Finance, Rodger Windt, Director of Facilities  
Les Olson, Superintendent of Schools, David Ragucci, Town Administrator

**MODERATOR**

Lawrence M. Means, 2017

**MYSTIC VALLEY ELDER SERVICES**

Janice T. Houghton, 2015

Gene Ferullo, 2016

Maureen Canova, 2016

**NORTHEAST METROPOLITAN REGIONAL VOCATIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT REPRESENTATIVE**

Lawrence Means, 2016

**OPEN SPACE AND RECREATION COMMITTEE**

Therese DiBlasi, 2016

Stephen P. Sylvester, 2016

Julie Boussy, 2017

John Bracciotti, 2017

Maura Hayes Campbell, 2017

Stephen G. McDonough, 2017

William Previdi, 2017

James Sarno, 2017

Joanne St. Pierre, 2017

Aldo Ursino, 2017

Dennis J. Visconti, Chairman, 2018

**PLANNING BOARD**

Thomas J. O'Grady, 2016

August S. Niewenhous, III, Chair, 2017

Daniel Moynihan, Jr., 2018

Kevin Dolan, 2019

Terrence Dolan, 2020

**REGISTRARS OF VOTERS**

Lawrence C. Allen, 2016

James Sinclair, 2017

Paul Means, 2018

Maria Sagarino, Town Clerk Ex Officio

**SCHOOL COMMITTEE**

Jeanne Craigie, 2016

Shelly MacNeill, Chair, 2017

David C. Maurer, 2017

Marie T. Christie, 2018

Shawn M. McCarthy, 2018

**STONEHAM SUBSTANCE ABUSE COALITION (SSAC)**

David Ragucci Town Administrator, Les Olson Superintendent of Schools, James McIntyre Chief of Police, Ann Marie O'Neill Board of Selectmen, Shelly MacNeill School Committee, Christine Carino Board of Health, Judith Sadacca Chamber of Commerce Member  
Other members as may be voted by the SSAC

**TOWN CLERK**

Maria Sagarino, 2016

**TRUSTEES OF PUBLIC LIBRARY**

Susan K. Doucette, 2016

Susan Waldman Fixman, 2016

Rocco Ciccarello, 2017

Michael Rora, Chairman, 2017

Jane Francis, 2018

Marina Memmo, 2018

**WATER AND SEWER REVIEW BOARD**

John L. Bracciotti, Finance Designee 2016

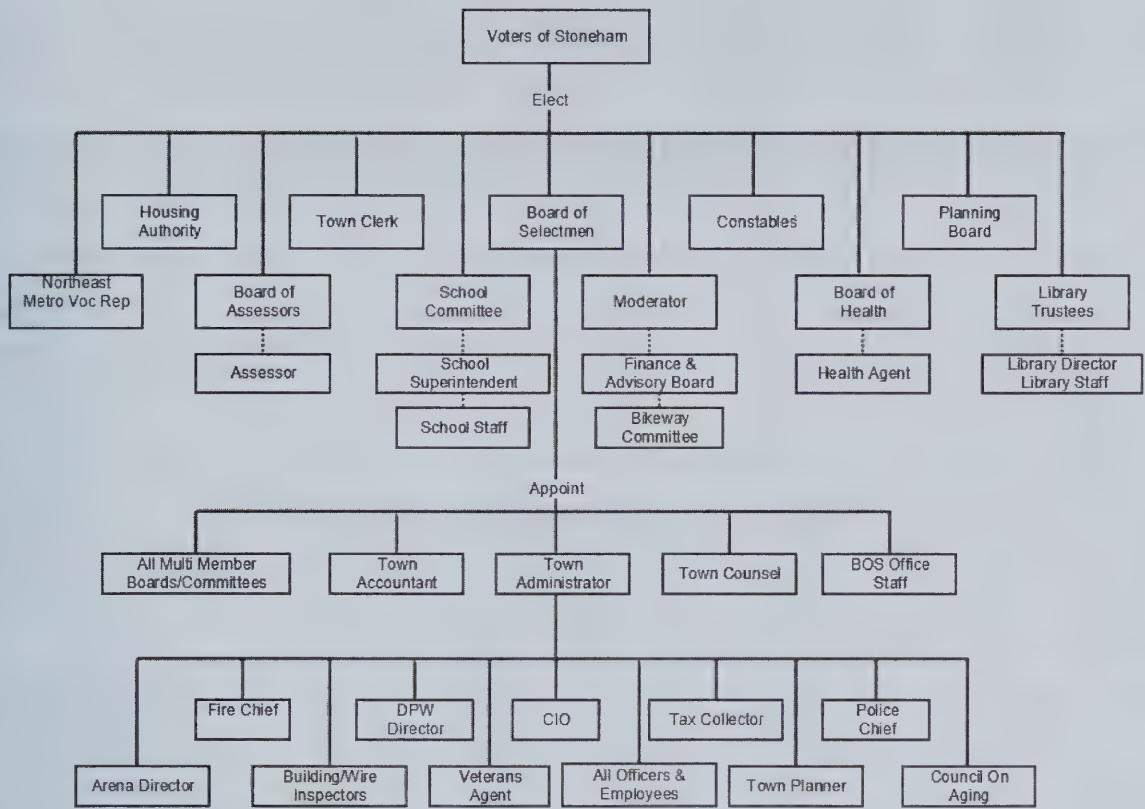
Stephen A. Quattrocchi, Selectmen Designee 2016

Richard Mangerian, Selectmen Designee 201

Scott LeBeau, Finance Designee 2018

Patricia Walsh, Selectman Designee 2018

## Organization Chart



### Board of Selectmen

The Board of Selectmen is pleased to present the 2015 Annual Report to the residents of Stoneham, in accordance with Section 2-31 of the Town Code, which reads as follows:

Every officer in charge of a department shall annually, on or before the tenth day of January, transmit to the Selectmen, in writing, a report containing a statement of the acts and doings of his department for the past financial year; such report shall be printed in the Annual Report.

On April 1, 2015, Thomas Boussy was reelected to a three-year term as Selectmen and Caroline Colarusso was elected to a three-year term.

On April 14, 2015, the Board reorganized. Thomas Boussy was reelected Chairman; Ann Marie O'Neill as Vice-Chairwoman; Caroline Colarusso, John F. DePinto and Frank Vallarelli, Members. Erin Sinclair is Office Manager to the Board.

In accordance with Article VIII, Section 2-45, of the Town Code, William H. Solomon was reappointed Town Counsel for the Town of Stoneham, on March 3, 2015.

Many applications were processed for the Helen Walcott Stockwell Trust, which covers payment of medical bills for Stoneham residents who qualify. Funds were distributed to various hospitals and physicians by the Trust. Residents may apply at the Selectmen's office, by phone, mail, or in person, for an application and information, and are encouraged to do so.

The Board of Selectmen met 54 times during 2015. In addition, there were four Town Meetings held this year and one election. Members of the Board attended many sub-committee meetings and meetings of other boards, committees, and commissions, in addition to attending conferences. The Board of Selectmen made appointments to boards and committees during the year. Several

Public Hearings were held relative to site plan approval; public utilities as to installation of poles and conduits; public input on projects; and determination and adoption of local tax revenue to be borne by each class of real and personal property.

The office of the Board of Selectmen brought in \$53,725.00 in Alcohol License revenue and \$6,739.50 in Other License revenue in 2015. In addition, funds were received from the three cable companies in Stoneham and various other businesses. The office received donations towards the Annual Senior Citizen Holiday Party. We thank all the generous businesses and citizens who have donated to the Town.

Our thoughts and prayers remain with all the residents of Stoneham who are still serving our country, as well as our Town employees and armed forces from all over the country. Fire Fighters Sean Fitzgerald, David Eastman and Brent Last served in the Reserves. We are proud of them and all those in the town and country who served, and we thank them sincerely for their service.

On December 1, 2015 the Board of Selectmen held our annual Senior Citizen Holiday Party. This affair was held at Montvale Plaza. The dinner, entertainment, and beautiful function hall were once again donated by Marty Murphy and his family, owners of Montvale Plaza. About 350 seniors enjoyed dinner, entertainment, raffle prizes, and gifts for all. The Board thanks Marty Murphy along with the businesses and individuals who generously donated money, services, and raffle prizes or who volunteered to serve or entertain at the party. Donations of cash or raffle gifts were received from Atty. Charles F. Houghton – 271 Main Street – Suite 202, Barile Family Funeral Home – 482 Main Street, Stoneham Ford – 185 Main Street, Atty. Steven Cicatelli – 266 Main Street, Maria Sagarino – Town Clerk, Dunkin Donuts – 65 Main Street, Stoneham Senior Center – 136 Elm Street, Three Amigos – 125 Main Street, #4, Honey Dew – 362 Main Street, Stoneham Theatre – 395 Main Street, Liberty Bell Roastbeef – 219 Main Street, Amore Pizza – 414 Main Street, Association of Firefighters – Town of Stoneham, Rapid Liquors – 171 Main Street, Zoo New England – Franklin Park Zoo/Stone Zoo, Stoneham Fuel Company – 41A Franklin Street, Arnold House – 490 William Street, Felicia's – 423 Main Street, Angelo's Pizzeria & Restaurante – 239 Main Street, Dairy Dome – 474 Main Street, Judy Bousquin, BA, Reiki Practitioner & Teacher, Bacci's Restaurant – 316 Main Street, Colarusso's Bakery – 210 Main Street, Head Hunters – 236 Main Street, Mystic Valley Elder Services, Dr. Diane Bonanni, D.M.D. – 2 Main Street, #10 and StonehamBank – 80 Montvale Avenue. Thanks to their generosity and hard work the party was a great success and enjoyed by all.

The Board of Selectmen, who sets policy for the Town, continue to be receptive to citizen input, at public hearings, through phone calls received at home, in our contact with the public, and in phone calls and visits made to our office by the public. The Board welcomes this input and strongly encourages this communication between the Board and residents. The Board holds public hearings on important issues to give the townspeople and businesses an opportunity to be heard. The Board of Selectmen and its office continue to perform the multiple, diverse functions required by both Town Bylaws and Massachusetts General Law and to assist the public where needed.

The Board of Selectmen wishes to thank all Town officers, employees, and members of committees for their efforts and dedication during the past year. Their hard work and cost-cutting efforts contribute to the Town continuing to provide a level of service that makes Stoneham a desirable place to live for residents of all ages.

Submitted by Erin Sinclair, Office Manager

### **Town Administrator**

As fiscal year 2016 draws to a close, there have been many changes in the Town such as construction of 299 high end rental units on the old Chesterton site (Fallon Road) which not only will result in additional tax dollars, but we were successful in negotiating a one million seven hundred thousand dollar (\$1,700,000) mitigation agreement. The Town will be using some of that money to create a much needed Recreation Department starting in FY 2017. As summer approaches, we should also see the start of construction of the long awaited bike path.

For the past several years, the Town has been attempting to reduce the impact of a 264 unit housing development on Franklin Street. As of this report, it is difficult to predict if the efforts have been successful.

In FY 2016 the Town has been negotiating with the MWRA to place a water main through the town to service our neighbors to our north. At the same time, Eversource plans on placing an underground power line from Woburn to Wakefield cutting through Stoneham. The Board of Selectmen have been active in trying to minimize the impact to the Town and its people.

In FY 2016 the Town was successful in negotiating an Agreement with Logan Communications for a billboard on Rte. 93 on the Woburn line. This Agreement calls for the town to receive millions of dollars over the next several years.

In FY 2016 we have 2.8 million in our stabilization account and maintained our AA2 bond rating. In FY 2016 we were successful in renegotiating a larger percentage split for health insurance between our employees and our tax payers, shifting more of the cost onto the employees and helping the Town with the Other Post-Employment Benefits (OPEB) liability (retiree health insurance).

In the FY 2017 budget you will see two (2) additional police officers; two (2) additional firefighters; a full time IT support position; a part time support position being shared between Boards/Commissions and the Building Department; we have taken two (2) full time equivalents from water and sewer and placed them on the tax rolls hoping to mitigate future water and sewer increases.

The budget presented today was the collaborative efforts of the Board of Selectmen, Finance Board, Town Accountant and Town Administrator with assistance from UMASS Collins Center Commonwealth of Mass. The goal was to provide an easy to understand, highly informative budget. It is my hope that we achieved this.

Once again, Stoneham is in a good position as we move into an uncertain future.

Submitted by David Raguucci, Town Administrator

### Bikeway / Greenway Committee



Members: Anthony Wilson (Chair), Mary Furrier (Vice-Chair), Dolly Wilson (Secretary), Cameron Bain, Dorothy Bergold, Cynthia Hemenway, Joan Lemire, William Murphy, Julie Shulman Associate Member: Catherine Moore

The Stoneham Bikeway/Greenway Committee is a volunteer group of residents established at the October 2009 Town Meeting "to assist the Selectmen/Town Administrator in the implementation and the development of the Town owned land or leased land commonly known as the 'Railroad right-of-way' as a Linear Park/Greenway with a continuous multi use trail..."

The members of the committee passionately support the development of the Greenway due to its many benefits to the residents of the town. With 1.6 miles in Stoneham and 6.6 total miles including Winchester and Woburn, the Greenway will provide the Town of Stoneham a beautiful new recreation area that connects many neighborhoods to our downtown.

The year of 2015 continued amazing town support and finalized all open items in Stoneham to proceed with the Greenway. On January 12<sup>th</sup>, 2015, 650 residents showed up at a special town meeting and showed overwhelming support for the Greenway by approving the temporary construction easements. Thank you Stoneham.



The town meeting vote cleared the way for right-of-way planning. Town Planner Erin Wortman worked with local businesses and one resident to finalize terms on five temporary construction easements along the Greenway in August. The Town also acquired 911 feet of land from the MBTA, giving it ownership of the entire railroad right-of-way in Stoneham. Stoneham is now ready for construction.

The bid process for the Greenway is waiting for the MassDEP to address environmental issues in Winchester along their waterways. We expect resolution in early February. Once the issues are addressed, the project goes to bid and can start construction. The construction will take up to two years but MassDOT expects the majority of the trail to be complete in the first year. If all goes as planned, the second year will complete signage and some landscaping.

Outreach is also an important part of the Committee's mission. Meetings are open to all. In addition to the meetings, committee members have visited the Board of Selectman meetings and Finance board meetings, presented updates on Stoneham TV, attended Town Day and the Farmer's Market, met with groups around town, and sponsored a cleanup and a walk of the trail in Stoneham. Look for more walks and cleanups along the Greenway this spring.

Submitted by Anthony Wilson, Chairman

### Board of Appeals

During 2015, the board of Appeals held 11 regular meetings during which it considered 25 petitions, granting relief in 24 of them with 1 denial. In addition, the Board held 13 public hearings in connection with the application under Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 40B for the property known as Weiss Farm.

#### Annual Report BOA Agendas 2015

<b>Meetings</b>	<b>Petitions</b>	<b>Approve</b>	<b>Denied</b>	<b>Weiss Agendas</b>
	0	24	1	13
	2			
	3			
	3			
	3			
	3			
	2			
	1			
	4			
	3			
	1			
<b>11</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>13</b>

Submitted by Robert Saltzman, Chairman

### Board of Assessors

#### Board of Assessors:

Anthony Kennedy  
Craig Celli  
Assistant  
William Jordan

Chairman  
Secretary  
Member

#### Stoneham Assessor Office Staff:

Brian C. Macdonald  
Cheryl Kozlowski  
Director of Assessing  
Admin. Assessing

The calendar year 2015, the latter half of Fiscal Year 2015, began with the release of the actual tax bills for the 2015 Fiscal Year. There were 28 applications for abatement received by the office of which 18 abatements were granted. There were also 296 statutory exemptions granted by the Board of Assessors as well including 77 Elderly (41C) Exemptions and 182 Veterans Exemptions (includes both 22 and 22E applicants). William Jordan was reelected to the Board of Assessors in April of 2014.

Fiscal Year 2016, which began on July 1st, 2015, was an Interim Valuation Year for Stoneham's Assessing Department. Values were adjusted to meet state guidelines and received preliminary valuation approval by the Department of Revenue on September 24th and final valuation approval following the public disclosure period on November 11th. The tax classification hearing was held on November 25th, 2014 and Department of Revenue approved the tax rate on December 1st, 2015. The Board of Assessors recommended a CIP tax shift of 1.64 or 164% of the single tax rate of \$13.75. The recommendation was accepted by the Board of Selectman. This established a dual tax rate for the Residential / Open Space and Commercial / Industrial / Personal Property of \$12.70 and \$22.55 respectively. The total valuation of the community increased by approximately \$149,912.542 or 4.6%, from the previous fiscal year.

Submitted by Brian Macdonald, Director of Assessing

## Board of Health

The mission of the Board of Health is to educate, promote, improve and protect the health and wellbeing of the citizens of Stoneham, while contributing to building a healthy community and environment in which to live. According to the Town's Bylaws, State and Federal Laws, the Board of Health is under a dutiful obligation to develop and implement health policies, standards, bylaws and regulations.

### BOARD:

Mr. John J. Scullin: Mr. Scullin the senior member of the Stoneham Board of Health, currently serves as Chairman of the Board of Health and has done so also in the capacities of Chairman and Co- Chairman since 2000. He also served as a Lieutenant on the Town of Stoneham Fire Department. Mr. Scullin has been certified with the Town of Stoneham Fire Department and the Commonwealth of Massachusetts in HAZMAT training and Emergency Medical Training – (EMT) Training. Chairman Scullin, who is now retired, generously and continually contributes his time to the Board of Health in every facet that the Board offers.

Dr. Christine M. Carino: Dr. Carino was elected to the Board of Health in April of 2008, and continues to enhance the Board and Department with her professionalism and expertise. She presently serves on the Board as Secretary. Dr. Carino is duly certified by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Department of Professional Licensure as a Doctor in Pharmacy.

Teresa Buckley Dean RN, MS: Mrs. Dean is the newest member of the Board of Health, joining the Board in November 2012 and currently sits as Vice-Chairperson for the Board. Terry was a former Public Health Nurse for the Town of Stoneham from 1999 to 2005. She started her nursing education at Northeastern University where she graduated with her Bachelor's Degree in Nursing in 1986 and then moved on to receive her Master of Science Degree in Nursing in 1992. Following that, she began her career at Children's Hospital and then worked at Winchester Hospital. During her time at Winchester Hospital she became the Public Health Nurse for the Town of Stoneham. She left her position at the Board of Health to become the Pediatric Clinical Nurse Educator for Mass General for Children at North Shore Medical Center in 2005. Most recently, Terry has become an Assistant Professor and teaches nursing at MCPHS University and has been accepted into the Doctorate in nursing program at Northeastern University. She has been married 25 years to her husband Eddie and is a proud mother to three girls, Elizabeth (23), Emma (19), and Erin (13).

The members of the Board of Health held ten (10) meetings this year. In addition to being proactive with public health issues and the rules and regulations, the Board decided on the following items:

- 1 Hearing: Re-Organization
- 1 Hearing Farmers Market
- 1 Hearing: Vapor Store Moratorium
- 1 Hearing: Mosquito Control Funding
- 1 Hearing Stoneham Substance Abuse Coalition

John R. Fralick III, originally from Woburn, Massachusetts, is a graduate of Bridgewater State University (formerly Bridgewater State College) with a Bachelor of Science in Health Education. Mr. Fralick came to the town of Stoneham with close to 3 years' experience as a health inspector for the city of Beverly.

### Support staff includes:

John R. Fralick	Health Agent
Margaret E. Drumme, RN	Public Health Nurs
Denise F. Breen	Office Assistant

## HEALTH AGENT

Under the direction of and on behalf of the Board of Health, the Health Agent is responsible for maintaining the day-to-day operations of the department. The Agent also keeps the Chairman of The Board of Health updated on a daily basis and works closely with the Town Administrator and other Department Heads within the town. The Health Agent enforces local, state, and federal regulations pertaining to the general public health, safety, and environment.

The Health Agent received and investigated 60 complaints in 2015:

Besides the complaint investigations, the Health Agent performed the following inspections:

Food Service Routine	59
Temporary Food	17
Food Service Follow up	6
Housing and Follow-up	49
Pools	17
Miscellaneous & Follow-up Inspections	33
Illness Investigation	01
Camps	02
Animal Quarantines	<u>02</u>
Total	186

The Board of Health in 2015, has remained proactive in maintaining a safe and community. The Board of Health is a member of the Substance Abuse Coalition. Five businesses were opened in Stoneham during 2015 and the Town also hosted a Food Truck Festival. The treatment of the catch-basins as part of a town wide mosquito control program will commence again in June due to expected funding. The purpose behind waiting until June is to ensure the annual winter frost falls within the time frame of protection from the Altosid XR tablets. (150 days) The Board of Health will apply the extended release tablets to a number of catch basin treatments for the warm season to ensure that the town is safe from any mosquito-borne illness, whereas catch basins and standing water are their primary breeding grounds.

The Animal Control Officer is now funded by the Board of Health. Public Health changes with the seasons and circumstances making educating the general public of the risks surrounding each circumstance an extremely important aspect of Public Health. The Board of Health maintains an open door policy and encourages all residents and businesses owners' needing assistance to contact the office.

The Health Agent along with the Board of Health proposed *departmental goals* for the upcoming year are as follows:

- Increase the presence and involvement of the Board in the community utilizing the media and on-site education;
- Increase community programming and services;
- Establish sufficient staffing to meet the demands of the department;
- Continue to be proactive in helping new establishments, businesses and property owners within our community;
- Maintain a high standard of safety by promoting the philosophy the Board of Health Mission Statement.

## OFFICE ASSISTANTS:

The office assistant maintains databases and prepares all permits, licenses, and accounts payable/receivable for approval. In addition, this position transcribes the minutes of the Board's monthly meetings, and composes correspondence as directed. They also assemble and prepare a variety of reports for the Health Agent, Public Health Nurses and Board as needed.

Ms. Karyn Incatasciato, Office Assistant started with the department in January of 2001, while Ms. Denise Breen started in October of 2000. These positions are responsible for issuing permits and collected \$52,887 in permit fees in 2015.

The compiled total of permits issued by this department in 2015 was 630.

## PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE:

Public Health Nursing is population based. Under the Board of Health, the Public Health Nurse cares for the health of the entire community instead of one patient at a time. Public Health Nurses monitor, track and respond to outbreaks for infectious diseases, partnering with daycare centers, nursing homes, medical offices, school nurses and city and state officials. Public Health Nurses and the Board of Health conduct case investigations and mass vaccination clinics to stop the spread of disease, providing community

education to help people stay healthy. In addition, Public Health Nurses collaborate with first responders and other municipal departments to help prepare the community for emergencies.

Services provided include but are not limited to: Blood Pressure Clinics, TB Testing, Health Care Referral, Community Agency Referral Health Teaching and Education and Physician referral

The Public Health Nurse continues to have an active membership with the Northeast Chapter of Public Health Nurses, MAPHN Assoc. and the MRC (Medical Reserve Corps of MA.) A collaborative relationship continues with all school nurses.

Blood Pressure at Senior Center:	98
Walk-In Blood Pressure at BOH:	25
Home Visits:	21
TB testing:	59
B12 injections	46
Communicable Illnesses:	167
Immunizations:	82
Total Flu Injections:	675
School Based Flu Clinics:	450
Total Flu Immunizations:	1,125

A collaborative effect continues with Stoneham Police Department regarding the Expired Prescription Drop-Off Box located in the Police Lobby. The Public Health Nurse is part of the School Wellness & Advisory Committee at the High School to develop & implement an annual plan. The Board of Health and the Public Health Nurse continues a working relationship with the Stoneham Independent and the Stoneham Sun providing public service announcements to keep residents informed of health information. A monthly column in the Stoneham Senior Center's Sentinel "Ask A Nurse" is provided by the Public Health Nurse. The Board of Health and the Public Health Nurse provide Stoneham Students (public & private) with FluMist during flu season. The Board of Health also continues to provide internship programs for Emmanuel College, U Mass Boston and MA College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences nursing students. The Board of Health and the Public Health Nurse are contact persons for the Stoneham Substance Abuse Coalition. The Public Health Nurse, updates immunization records for children attending summer camp. The Public Health Nurse continues as the Health Care Consultant for the Purpose School. Monitoring AED's (Automatic External Defibrillators) located at the Town Hall, Library, Senior Center and the Stoneham Arena is also updated by this department. The Public Health Nurse also attends various seminars on immunization updates, surveillance updates, communicable/infectious diseases and vaccine safety and up to date Webinars in order to maintain a high standard of practice and quality assurance.

The Public Health Nurse is a member of the TRIAD council. The term refers to the three founding organizations: AARP, the International Association of Chiefs of Police and the National Sheriffs' Association. The purpose of TRIAD is to build partnerships between senior citizens and law enforcement and to share information on how seniors can avoid becoming victims of crime and enhance the safety and quality of their lives

The Board of Health and the Public Health Nurse took part in a Blood Drive sponsored by the American Red Cross.

The Public Health Nurse attends the monthly Public Health Nurse meeting in Tewksbury, the Annual Conference of PHNs and the Annual Adult Immunization Conference.

Submitted by Karen Incatasciato, Office Assistant

### **Conservation Commission**

The primary responsibility of the Stoneham Conservation Commission is to protect and preserve the wetlands in the Town of Stoneham through acquisition, management, education, regulations and enforcement. The Commission acts as a liaison between residents and local, state and federal government agencies in protecting the town's natural resources.

The Conservation Commissions' powers and responsibilities are derived from several different sources. Land acquisition and protection derive from the original Conservation Commission Act of 1957, Article 97 of the state Constitution, which gives special protection to municipal lands voted to conservation, and G.L. Ch. 184, which allows the creation of permanent restrictions on land. Regulation of work in and near wetlands derives from the state Wetlands Protection Act of 1972 and from local bylaws or ordinances authorized under Article 89 of the state Constitution. Other local bylaws and ordinances and state laws give Commissions authority over additional matters such as erosion, groundwater or earth removal.

- Massachusetts Constitution (Articles 89 and 97)
- Conservation Commission Act (G.L. Ch. 40 §8C)
- Wetlands Protection Act (G. L. Ch. 131 §40)
- Municipal General (Non-Zoning) Wetlands Bylaws/Ordinances
- Community Preservation Act (G.L. Ch. 44B)
- Consultant Fee Provisions (GL. Ch. 44 §53G)
- Conservation Restriction Act (GL. Ch. 184 §§31-33)
- Other Bylaws/Ordinances and Statute

The Stoneham Conservation Commission oversees, in partnership with the Whip Hill Trust and the Town of Stoneham, the management of Whip Hill Park. The park is open year round to the public nature walks. Whip Hill Manor accommodates Conservation Commission meeting and civic group functions which promote conservation related activities and projects throughout the year.

Members in 2015 included Co-chairs Robert Parsons and Ellen McBride, Norman L'Esperance, Megan Day, Eric Buckley, Herlinda Saitz, Rachel Rennard and Domenick Cimina. Members are volunteers appointed by the Selectmen for three year terms. Staff to the Conservation Commission includes Sr. Office Assistant, Catherine Rooney and Mr. James Previte, Manager of Whip Hill Park, Conservation Commission Inspector and Tree Warden for the Town. The Commission has retained the services of John Witten, Attorney, Ingeborg Hegemann, Senior Vice President, BSC Group and Robert Griffin, Environmental Specialist Consultant, to provide particular expertise to issues that arise throughout the year.

During the 2015 calendar year the Conservation Commission held 23 meetings, reviewed nine Notice of Intents, issued six Orders of Conditions resulting in five project approvals and one project denial.

## Council on Aging

### The Council on Aging

The mission of the Stoneham Council on Aging is to provide outstanding services with kindness, respect and dignity and to offer outreach services for social, nutritional, medical issues and other unmet needs of Stoneham Seniors.

The Council on Aging is a municipal department of the Town of Stoneham, permitted under Ch. 40, s8B, of the Massachusetts General Laws. The Council on Aging is Stoneham's only public social service agency. Please visit us online at: [www.stonehamseniorcenter.org/](http://www.stonehamseniorcenter.org/); or to pick up a copy of *The Stoneham Sentinel* at the Center or at retail locations around town. At your convenience, you will be able to explore the changing services and opportunities now being offered by the Center.

The Council on Aging's Board of Directors role is primarily advisory. We provide assistance, consultation, information and support to Maureen Canova, our Director, in the execution of her duties. We hold neither a managerial nor supervisory position regarding our Director, Senior Center Staff and Volunteers. The Board does have an advocacy role that recognizes, promotes and supports vital and expanding services for our town's senior citizens.

This year Maureen Buckley and Mary Zatta have become our newest Board members and the Board has reinvested in trainings provided by the Executive Office of Elder Affairs COA and Senior Center Director, Emmett Schmarsow. Please come and visit us on the third Tuesday of each month (except July and December). Our meetings are open to all and are held in the first floor conference room at 3PM at the Stoneham Senior Center. Come in and put the "you" into your Senior Center. We are a lively group. Get involved!

### From Our Director

In 2009, there were 465 seniors registered in the Key card system here at the Senior center. Today there is currently 1,837 registered Seniors in this system. This key card system tracks utilization rates at the Senior center. This translates into roughly a thousand (1,000) seniors a week are participating in program at the Senior Center.

Our programs are also changing to entice and support new interest in the activities we offer and those we envision for the future. We must address the nature of change which is already afoot in the movement of the Boomer population into the senior age group.

## **Strengthening our connections:**

### **TRIAD**

TRIAD is a partnership of three types of organizations; law enforcement, older adults and community groups that was established in 2014. The purpose of this alliance is to pool resources to promote older adult safety thereby reducing the fear of crime experienced by many seniors. Director Maureen Canova and Linda Leis, from the Stoneham Police Domestic Violence Unit, and Middlesex County Sheriff Koutoujian, have continued to strengthen their relationship as the TRIAD Council in Stoneham. Collaborating with Mystic Valley Elder Services, Stoneham Police and Fire Departments, Stoneham Alliance Against Violence, the Stoneham Board of Health and Stoneham citizen volunteers, a group was formed.

In 2015 there were three presentations with TRIAD and we are continuing to strengthen this relationship with TRIAD. The three programs were a Persons at Risk-Safety Net, Take Back Day –taking back old medication done in collaboration with Stoneham Police and the Stoneham Substance Abuse Collation. The final program was the Stoneham Fire department Fire Prevention tips for Stoneham residents.

We continue to have available the "File of Life" which has been sponsored by the Stoneham Fire Department and distributed at events like Town Day and is available at the Center. This packet gives first responders the resident's essential information identifying, doctor, medical issues and hospital. It's magnetic and is to be placed on the refrigerator for universal access in case of need

### **Internships:**

The Mass College of Pharmacy and Salem State College clinical interns in nursing provided programs at the Center while advancing their training. The students' with Mass College of Pharmacy collaborated with the Substance Abuse Collation to pull together the Take Back Day. These students also participated in Blood Pressure clinics, Blood Glucose clinics and health presentations occurring throughout the year.

### **Stoneham Housing Authority:**

We continued to provide blood pressure clinics in our public housing locations through collaboration with Massachusetts College of Pharmacy's student clinical practicum program. In continuing our association with these housing facilities, we have identified populations of need which are not being served at their own locations.

We have begun to partner with Mystic Valley Elder Services, our local Aging Service Access Point (ASAP), in the hope of securing the provision of one full-time, on-site professional Resident Service Coordinator. This is an ongoing under recognized group of Stoneham citizens in need of social, nutritional and medical services. We must explore and undertake new avenues of funding in seeking to extend these basic necessities across the entire spectrum of Stoneham residents.

### **Senior to Senior program**

The Senior to Senior program continues to be very popular. High school seniors receive extra credit for interviewing our experienced citizens, who are eager to share their experiences and wisdom. A picture and write up are printed in the Stoneham Independent. Ed Rosa has been kind enough to take this program over and work with the students.

### **Expanding our reach:**

Two years ago we established our in-house Outreach Worker position and we gained the ability to deliver appropriate local care solutions to our independently housed, at-risk population. Although this is only a part-time position, we have begun to provide consistent, professional assistance to our many elder adults who may not attend the Senior Center directly but are in need of help and are unaware of programs, events and services available to them. Frances Cioffi, our in-house professional, has established a compendium of information for referrals to services. She has continues with the telephone reassurance program through which residents will be contacted regularly to keep them abreast of events and resources they may be unaware of. This is a program which has aided in identifying people's needs in an attempt to assist them before problems become unmanageable. Sometimes that may merely mean saying, "Hello, what's going on?"

Ms. Cioffi has also undertaken to reach out to our new generation of seniors. She is developing a, "Welcome to the Senior Center", greeting to be sent to the roughly one hundred adults turning sixty each month in our town. This is a diverse and fiercely independent group of active and often fully employed individuals. Many of our changing offerings are well attuned to the diverse and developing needs of this generation.

Maureen and Fran also continue to work very closely with the local home health care agencies to evaluate and assist individuals who need to transition out of their home.

Her spirited challenge is making the connection real for the Boomer generation. We seek to continue evolving the future character of the Center and remain flexible to new demands and ideas.

#### **Ongoing Programs:**

Programs such as Fall Prevention, Healthy eating are just a few of the programs that we continue with MVES. Our Tai Chi for Arthritis program addresses gentle movements to relieve pain while gaining strength, balance and flexibility. Chair yoga offers strengthening and centered stretching exercise for people of all abilities and has tripled in attendance over the year. Zumba and Aerobics classes are refreshing breakaways from the everyday routine. Mindfulness techniques offer re-centering practices to draw us back from the hectic events of life.

The Senior Center's Walking group continues to grow and is sponsored by Life Care Center of Stoneham. This program also received a grant from the MCOA and pedometers were purchased for all participants to use to track how far they are walking.

The Men's breakfast and Men's exercise class had double in attendance this year and will continue to get a lot of interest.

#### **The Rotary Club of Stoneham:**

Stoneham Rotary continues to bring a grand feast and celebration in honor of our volunteers each year and we enjoy and appreciate this wonderful acknowledgement of all their efforts.

#### **Stoneham Bank:**

We are always grateful to the Stoneham Bank for their generosity and time. We collaborated with them and began a Money Smart program. The Stoneham Bank was also a sponsor of our Open House this Fall which had over 200 visitors to the Senior Center.

#### **Volunteers:**

We continue to see a remarkable growth in the number of people who come to the Senior Center to give of their time. We currently have six people volunteering to drive people to medical appointments at surrounding medical offices and hospitals. This generosity has made it possible for our scheduling window to become much more responsive to time needs. It has also enabled us to use the van more effectively for other purposes. The volunteer reading program established by MVES is now in every elementary school in Stoneham and promoted by the Senior Center has met with a wonderful response by our over fifty-five citizens. Bridging the gap of knowledge, experience and comfort with language contributes more intergenerational exposure and ease for children and adults alike to carry into their everyday life.

The Eagle Scouts were kind enough to put a new wood floor in our Craft Room on the second floor as their Eagle scout project for this year. They did an outstanding job.

#### **Socks for Seniors**

For the second year in a row the Stoneham Senior Center spearheaded this collaborative effort. ( Stoneham High School and Central Middle School, Town Clerk's office and Stoneham Police department). This drive's goal is to provide all seniors in need, shut-ins, nursing home residents & elderly housing residents with a warm pair of socks for the holidays.

Working with the Mystic Valley Elder Services' Meals on Wheels program and the Stoneham Housing Authority delivered these socks here in Stoneham to elderly shut-ins and members of our Council on Aging will delivered many to our elderly residents in need. In 2014 over 150 pairs of socks were collected and distributed. In 2015, over 400 pairs of socks were distributed.

#### **Town Meeting:**

Through the combined efforts of the Town Administrator and the Board of Selectpeople for their continuing efforts in supporting the Senior Center's basic infrastructure and staffing needs. At the May Town Meeting, our two revolving accounts were re-authorized.

The special warrant article that was approved last year at the Town meeting has now come full circle with the RFP going out for a cell tower on top of the barn, with revenues going to the Senior center to cover the costs of the Resident Services coordinator position that is desperately needed.

#### **Open House,**

September 2015: We once again were graced with beautiful weather and had a robust turnout of visitors. The Center and the Barn were real magnets for attention and we served over 200 people with hot dogs and good cheer in the course of the day. Visitors left contact information for follow up mailings and some people rewarded our efforts with donations to the Friends. Board members conducted tours of the facility and discussed the wide range of programs available. Our DJ played a wide variety of music and a

wonderful time was had by all.

### **Public Service Offerings:**

The Senior Center continues to offer a multitude of public service programs for the residents of Stoneham. A Fall Flu Clinic – through the Stoneham Board of Health, File Of Life through TRIAD and the Stoneham Fire Department, SHINE Counseling (Serving Health Information Needs of Everyone on Medicare) year-round confidential, unbiased professionally trained and certified volunteer counselors providing assistance with information, questions, problems and issues concerning Medicare, health and prescription services, Annual Hallmark Health Fair with dozens of service providers . Also, a Veterans Service department is conveniently located at the Center. Members of the Town of Stoneham Board of Selectman have office hours as well at the State legislators have office hours at the center.

### **The Senior Center Friends of Stoneham, Inc.**

The Friends is an all-volunteer, 501(c)(3) federal and state non-profit organization begun in 2010 for the purpose of providing services and activities that enhance the dignity of seniors, support their independence, and encourage their involvement. The Friends help meet the unfunded needs of the Stoneham Senior Center in offering a wide and broadening spectrum of programs to assist, educate, engage and entertain our community's senior citizens.

Friends' funds go to help devise and balance the full scope of our monthly entertainment activities and educational programs. They also assist in fortifying our annual Town allocation for unexpected building maintenance and repairs.

A subcommittee of volunteers oversees the Barn Sale, our giant indoor yard sale, which operates the beginning of May through the beginning of October. This Friends project continues to be an outstanding attraction for the Center and draws many interested treasure hunters. Thanks to the generosity of local businesses and the many volunteers, the Senior Center Friends have helped underwrite many programs and events that would otherwise be unavailable, such as technology workshops, health and wellness presentations, entertainment and other educational programs.

Please feel welcome to bolster the Senior Center by participating in Friends programs. Any and all contributions to the Friends group are tax-deductible.

We thank all our kind contributors for their outstanding support of the Stoneham Senior Center and all our senior citizens.

We have enjoyed another fulfilling year of growth and transition at the Senior Center. We stand committed to meeting the changing needs of all our senior citizens. The tenor of our report is to see needs matched by proposed responses. As our account of the projected assistance and interventions we foresee engaging in suggests, we must establish a secure foundation on which to build. Sustainability is the underpinning of any public effort. Without the assurance of a continuing presence in the community, incidental forays into aid become self-defeating if not cynical. It is the intention of the Council on Aging to pursue multiple sources of funding through foundations and grants. We will always rely upon everyone's clear and outspoken vision of our efforts. We will continue to call upon you for your public advice and support. We thank each and every one of you who have organized or attended an event, helped out at the Center, spoken up for us at Town Meeting, donated to the Giving Tree, had lunch with us or just provided support in your own private way. We would be overwhelmed by our tasks without your personal involvement. With your consistent and generous backing we will continue to grow to meet the future needs and challenges of our community.

Submitted by Kathy Hudson, Chair

### **Farmers Market Committee**

Following on the heels of an extremely successful first season, the Stoneham Farmers Market is gearing up for an even bigger and better return! The weekly event will once again take place Thursdays, 2:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m., beginning June 16th through October 13th on the Town Common. Last year's vendors offered fresh produce, pastured meat and eggs, artisan cheeses, hand-harvested honey, small-batch foodstuffs, flowers, baked goods and other unique items. This year the Farmers Market will add to that with an all-star line-up including: Arrowhead Farm, Granny's Place, Coastal Vineyard, Copper Dome Crust Pizza, Deano's Pasta, Jaju Pierogi, Jennifer Lee's Gourmet Bakery, Jennifer's Homemade Soaps, Pourman's Coffee, Roberto's Seafood, Roma's Bakery, Sugar River Farm, Swiss Baker, Top Shelf Cookies, and more to be revealed! Additionally, thanks to a wildly successful fundraiser hosted by Doucet Remodeling and Design, the Farmers Market will be holding weekly family events and performances that the community and beyond won't want to miss! Be sure to bookmark <http://www.stonehamfarmersmarket.com>, and follow the Farmers Market on Facebook (Just search for "Stoneham Farmers Market" and hit "like") to stay current on Farmers Market developments and for volunteer/sponsorship opportunities.

## Finance and Advisory Board

The Finance and Advisory Board is an independent committee of the town, with the primary role of recommending the annual personnel, revenue sources, operating and capital budget to the voters, monitor expenditures, and other municipal affairs; and make recommendations to the town, and any town board, officer or committee on all relevant matters.

The Board works with town departments to review their budgets for the upcoming fiscal year, and meets throughout the year meeting and makes recommendations on a wide range of issues. The Board consists of eleven volunteer members who are appointed by the Town Moderator. If anyone is interested in serving as a volunteer on the board, please contact the Town Moderator.

As an ongoing commitment to the citizens of Stoneham, the members of the Finance and Advisory Board are working towards creating a more transparent fiscal and budgeting process within the town.

Finance and Advisory Board meetings are generally held once a month, but during the budgetary review cycle building up to Town Meeting, it meets more frequently. Our meetings are open to the public, and all are encouraged to attend them or watch them on Stoneham TV, ask questions, and to feel free to contact any of the Board members with questions, concerns or comments.

Submitted by Steve Dapkiewicz, Chairman

## Fire Department

The mission statement of the Stoneham Fire Department is to protect life, property, and the environment while always striving to maintain the public trust and to prevent harm in our community.

The Stoneham Fire Department strives for excellence in the performance of duty and services to the community and citizens it serves. The Stoneham Fire Department is committed to finding better ways to protect the lives and property of its citizens from the ravages of fire and other disasters and is dedicated to working together for the betterment of our community. The Stoneham Fire Department's priorities in handling all emergencies are life safety (citizens and personnel), property protection, and continuity of operations.

The majority of Fire Department resources; including personnel, equipment, facilities, and support services are committed to fire suppression activities. The basic function of fire suppression operations is that of extinguishing fires and performing related duties once a fire occurs. This, however, is not the Fire Department's only function. Throughout the year the Fire department responded to a variety of calls for assistance. In 2015, the Fire Department responded to 3,176 calls ranging from structure fires to service calls.

Staffing trends in the Stoneham Fire Department have seemed to level off after years of decline. This can be attributed to replacing retiring Firefighters, as opposed to the past when positions were lost through attrition.

### STAFFING COMPARISON

Year	Average Daily Staffing Level
2009	7.00
2010	7.01
2011	6.92
2012	7.32
2013	7.04
2014	6.85
2015	6.91

Some of the staffing issues can be attributed to the fact that 776 hours were lost due to personnel commitments to the military and 1184 hours were lost due to injured personnel.

These staffing levels are still below standards set forth by the National Fire Protection Association that state that the absolute minimum amount of personnel responding to a structure fire should be at least twelve.

Stoneham Fire Department is a member of the Massachusetts Metro Fire District (Metro Fire). Metro Fire is an association of 35 communities plus the Massport (Logan Airport) Fire Department. The association was formed for the purpose of updating, expanding, and

controlling mutual aid in the area, and to act as a common entity for exploring and improving management activities and fire protection operations in the region. Metro Fire encompasses the Boston Metropolitan area within the Route 128 perimeter.

The Fire Prevention Division is dedicated to providing the citizens the safest possible environment in which to live. Education, Prevention, and Code Enforcement are all critical functions that provide increased fire safety for the community. Unfortunately, many times throughout the year, Fire Prevention personnel had to be reassigned to keep shift strength at minimum standards. The Fire Prevention Division delivered a school fire safety program to the schools from K-3. The Fire Prevention Division also participated with community groups, the Senior Center, and Town Day in promoting Fire Prevention.

Lieutenant Bob Dunphy retired in February after forty years with the Stoneham Fire Department. Rob Dalis was appointed Lieutenant to the vacancy.

Sean Devlin, Jack Sullivan, and Tom DeCroteau were appointed to the Fire Department in October.

Not all news was good however. Firefighter Eric Bernat passed away in March, Eric was appointed a Firefighter in Stoneham in 2002. His presence is sorely missed by the members of the SFD.

On behalf of all members of the Stoneham Fire department, I can honestly not say enough good things about Secretary Ann Burnham. If there was ever a most valuable player award given to a member of the Stoneham Fire Department, Ann would be a unanimous choice

I would like to thank all members of the Stoneham Fire Department and their families for their dedication and commitment they displayed throughout the year. I am proud to be the Fire Chief with the unselfish personnel at the SFD.

## **STATISTICS**

### Suppression:

Fires	102
Medical Aids	1837
Vehicle Accidents	372
Investigations	188
Elevator Emergencies	21
Power Lines Down	129
Lockouts	39
Service Calls	78
Water problems	28
Animal Problems	2
Mutual Aid	49
Alarm Activations	<u>331</u>
Total	3176

### Prevention:

Smoke Detector Permits	300
Oil Burner Permits	42
Sprinkler Permits	16
Propane Permits	24
Fire Alarm Systems	21
Tank Removal/Replacement	51
Tank Truck Inspections	5
Flammable Fluid Storage	6
Cutting & Welding	6
Victualler Inspections	29
Liquor Inspections	24
School Inspections	7
Quarterly Inspections	28
Church Inspections	7
Other Inspections	22
Fire Drills	<u>32</u>
Total	620

Chief  
Joseph W. Rolli

Secretary  
Ann Burnham

Fire Prevention  
Captain Al Minotti  
Lieutenant Rob Dalis

<b>Group 1</b>	<b>Group 2</b>	<b>Group 3</b>	<b>Group 4</b>
<b>Captain</b> Matt Grafton	<b>Captain</b> James Marshall	<b>Captain</b> Frank Gould	<b>Captain</b> Ed Regan
<b>Lieutenant</b> Mark Chabak	<b>Lieutenant</b> John Galla	<b>Lieutenant</b> Matt Rexrode	<b>Lieutenant</b> Mike O'Sullivan
<b>Firefighters</b> J. Cryan P. Dockery	<b>Firefighters</b> JW. McNulty M. Labriola	<b>Firefighters</b> S. Greenleaf M. Mayo	<b>Firefighters</b> S. Verhault P. McIntyre

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<b>Firefighters</b> S. Fitzgerald C. Humber J. McLaughlin D. Blauvelt	<b>Firefighters</b> D. Kelleher B. Last D. Dawson J. Sullivan	<b>Firefighters</b> R. Darragh C. Webber P. Driscoll T. DeCroteau	<b>Firefighters</b> A. Riggillo D. Eastman M. Coughlin S. Devlin

#### **STONEHAM FIRE DEPARTMENT MOTORIZED EQUIPMENT**

ENGINE ONE:	2001 American LaFrance Eagle 1,250 gpm pump.
ENGINE THREE:	2011 Seagrave 1,250 gpm pump.
ENGINE FOUR:	1989 Emergency One 1,000 gpm pump
LADDER ONE:	2015 Emergency One Quint, equipped with a 100 ft. medium duty ladder and a 1,250 gpm pump.
CAR TWO:	2012 Ford Escape
CAR THREE:	2011 Ford Escape
CAR FOUR:	2005 Ford F350 Crew Cab
CAR FIVE:	2001 Ford F450 with a Versa-lift bucket
RESCUE BOAT:	2000 15 foot Boston Whaler with a 40hp Mercury outboard

#### **METRO FIRE RUNNING CARD STONEHAM**

Alarm	Engine	Engine	Engine	Ladder	Station	Station
1 <sup>st</sup>	STO E3			STO L1	STO E1	STO E4
2 <sup>nd</sup>	WAK	REA			WIN	MEL
3 <sup>rd</sup>	WIN	MEL		WOB	MAL	MED
4 <sup>th</sup>	MAL	MED			N. REA	LYNFLD
5 <sup>th</sup>	SOM	BURL		MAL		
6 <sup>th</sup>	SAU	EVE		MED		
7 <sup>th</sup>	LEX	REV		SOM		
8 <sup>th</sup>	ARL	LYNN		LYNN		
9 <sup>th</sup>	CAMB	CHEL		CAMB		
10 <sup>th</sup>	WANT	BEL		EVE		

## FIREFIGHTERS PRAYER

*When I am called to duty, God, whenever flames may rage,  
Give me strength to save some life, whatever be its age.  
Help me embrace a little child before it is too late,  
Or save an older person from the horror of that fate.  
Enable me to be alert and hear the weakest shout,  
And quickly and efficiently to put the fire out.  
I want to fill my calling and to give the best in me,  
To guard my every neighbor and protect his property.  
And if, according to my fate, I am to lose my life,  
Please bless with your protecting hand my children and my wife.*

Submitted by Joseph Rolli, Fire Chief

## Historical Commission

### Who We Are

- Our Stoneham Historical Commission was established thirty-eight years ago under Massachusetts General Law (Chapter 40, Section 8D). Our mission is to preserve, protect and develop historical and archaeological assets that are significant to the Town.
- Seven members are appointed by the Board of Selectmen to three year terms. At the end of this year the members are: Marcia M. Wengen, Co-Chair & Secretary, Joan Quigley, Treasurer, Stephen Rotondi, Dolly Wilson, Margaret Zoladkowski, Robert Shannon and a vacant co-chair position. Joanne DiMambro resigned from her three year term but agreed to be the alternate member until April 30, 2016. The Commission thanks Paul Foley and Margaret Warren for their dedicated service. Meetings are held monthly except in July and August.

### Historic Properties

There are a number of historic properties that required our attention or are worthy of mention:

- The Nobility Hill National Historic District (STN.H) was placed on the National Register of Historic Places in 1989. The area is roughly bounded by Chestnut Street, Cedar Avenue and Maple Street and in the 1850's wealthy merchants began building 'new' residences away from Main Street. Two local home owners, Brenda Flynn and Julie Shulman, expressed interest in honoring Nobility Hill by erecting appropriate signage. Ten neighbors attended our June meeting to learn about this project. In 2016, Brenda plans to embark on a fund raising campaign utilizing social media to raise money for the signage.
- Old Central School (originally our 1901 High School) at 25 William Street continues to be an excellent example of "occupancy as an effective preservation tool". On May 4, Town Meeting voted 'yes' on Warrant Article 16 which allows for the Old Central School to be leased to the SEEM Collaborative for up to 10 years. Even if the warrant article had not succeeded, on April 9, the School Committee members voted to approve the addition of the following language to the SEEM lease: "The tenant is not permitted to alter, reconstruct or change the appearance of the building's exterior or make changes in the material or workmanship on the building's exterior except in consultation with the Historical Commission."

- The Dow Block (STN.37; built in 1864 and listed on the National Register of Historic Places). In February, it came to our attention that a cable tray had been erected on the north side of the building. Neither the origin of nor the approval for this defacement was ever determined.
  - In May, EBI Consulting, on behalf of T-Mobile Northeast LLC, proposed a number of design modifications to their telecommunications equipment atop this building. The Commission commented unfavorably about the size, texture and appearance of the three proposed chimneys and the inappropriate external cable tray.
  - In June, the Commission met with T-Mobile's Regulatory Compliance Consultant. Mr. Adam Sullivan. He was sympathetic to our concerns and in August EBI issued a letter agreeing to reduce the size of two of the proposed faux chimneys from 10 to 7 feet in height, to replicate the color and texture of the existing faux chimneys, to eliminate the proposed third chimney, and to remove of the cable tray. They also agreed to reset the GPS triangulation device away from the south edge of the roof to be invisible or at least less obvious to the casual observer. The cable tray removal is expected in 2016 after the necessary cable is pulled internally through the building.
  - The Commission was pleasantly surprised that EBI Consulting offered us a Section 106 comment period on their proposed changes. It remains unclear to us if Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA) will continue to have any clout in light of Section 6409(A) of the Middle Class Tax and Job Creation Act of 2012. It provides that state and local authorities cannot deny and must approve qualifying requests for modifications to eligible wireless facilities.
- 489 Main Street. Michael O'Sullivan is the current owner of the 1882 Leonard P. Benton House (STN.22) at the corner of Main and Benton Street. He proposed an addition on the south side of the existing building that would adaptively reuse the structure as six market rental apartments. Without approval from the Planning Board, Mr. O'Sullivan stated his only option was demolition. In an effort to avoid this fate, the Commission declared this property as a "preferably-preserved significant building" because of the importance of its original owner and his place in Stoneham's history, its architectural style/location and its contribution to Stoneham today. Both the Planning Board and the Board of Selectmen approved the site plan.
  - The house is mentioned in Stevens' 1891 History of Stoneham, Mass as follows: "As one of the fruits of his business enterprise Mr. Benton has built and lives in a substantial residence on the corner of Main and Benton Streets, nearly opposite his factory." (p.227)
- The First Congregational Church (STN.39) joined with the Massachusetts Interfaith Power and Light, Inc. It is "a non-profit organization that provides a faith based response to climate change by promoting energy efficiency, environmental justice, green job training, and policies that will lead to a sustainable future". In September, the Co-chair was asked about solar panels. Neither the listing on the National Register of Historical Places, nor its location as the north anchor of the Central Square National Historical District can prevent this project. Additionally, the Massachusetts Historical Commission opined that solar panels would not be a basis for delisting the building from the National Register. The congregation voted in November to install solar panels on the south roof of the 1840 sanctuary.
- Fire Station (STN.36). The Stoneham Square Neighborhood Group (a subset of the Stoneham Square Action Plan Advisory Committee) adopted three projects this year, one of which is a celebration of the Fire Station's Centennial in 2016. Adopting the SSNG tag line of "Preserving the best of the traditions, identity and history of Stoneham", a committee of volunteers from the SSNG and the Fire Department are planning a variety of events for next year.
  - The Historical Commission sponsored Warrant Article 15 and October Town Meeting voted to appropriate \$30,200 for the painting of the trim as required by the permanent preservation restriction granted to the Massachusetts Historical Commission at Town Meeting of May 7 and 10, 2007 (Article #28). Municipalities must pay prevailing wages. Sadly there is no funding to repoint the bricks or replace the windows at this time.
- Demolition By Neglect ~ this was an unfortunate year for neighborhoods that lost some of their identity and character. The Commission began tracking residences in November/December that were either demolished or will be in early 2016. Six were vacant either by design, foreclosure or death of the last occupant: 22 Gould St, 9 Emerald Court, 12 Hersam, 25 Penny Lane, 12 Tremont St. and 57 Franklin

St. While none of the properties are listed on National or State Registers, two properties are on the State's Cultural Resources database (MACRIS): Tremont St c. 1865 (STN. 67) and Summer St c 1810 (STN. 121). The Hersam Street residence was demolished under guidance of a Housing Court appointed fiduciary, part of a receivership program coordinated by the Attorney General's Office.

### **Collaborating with Others**

- Joint Meeting with the Historical Society ~ Alison Simcox and Douglas Heath were the guest speakers at our annual joint meeting with the Historical Society. They are well versed in the formation of the Middlesex Fells Reservation and so knowledgeable about the 19<sup>th</sup> century advocates who worked tirelessly to "set aside this area of outstanding geological, scenic, and historical interest". Their newly published book Images of America Middlesex Fells was available for purchase. Members of the audience offered interesting stories and insights. It was such an engaging and lively discussion, we can only hope a second volume will appear in the near future.

### **Sharing Our Message**

- Col. J. Parker Gould's Marker ~ Steve Rotondi and Margaret Zoladowski worked on the content and design of a marker to commemorate Stoneham's Civil War hero. Funds from a grant issued by the Massachusetts Civil War Sesquicentennial will be used to fabricate the marker and install it at his gravesite in Lindenwood Cemetery.
- Old Burying Ground Open House ~ Commission members hosted the annual Halloween opening (October 24) of the 1726 Burying Ground which saw 97 visitors. In preparation for the opening, long time member Joan Quigley created an amazing tour back in time to teach us about our civic ancestors. An unsolved murder, a soldier who volunteered for Valley Forge duty and a nurse who served in a Washington DC hospital for most of the Civil War were highlights of her well received 45 minute tours.
- Updated Historical Tours ~ Among the 40+ projects that evolved from the Town Center Vision & Action Plan was updating our Historic Walking Tour. Our new colleague Dr. Dolly Wilson brought a online strategy that put the 'fun' back in our basic functional walking tour in and around Central Square, which is accessible on a mobile device. Additional pictures, supplemental topics (streetcars for instance) enhance each 'stop'. And best of all, the tour is a significant piece of "Explore Stoneham" ([www.explorestoneham.com](http://www.explorestoneham.com)), a guide that aims at all ages, both life-long residents and newcomers to town. Also, Dolly offered two Greenway/bikepath tours (in person and virtual) based on her research at the Boston & Maine archives at the UMass Center for Lowell History. These tours were a terrific way to engage prospective Greenway users in understanding the path route and how it connects to Stoneham History.
- Heritage Award ~ Since 1992 the Commission has given an annual Heritage Award for "exceptional contributions to preservation and awareness of Stoneham's historical legacy" to a local citizen, organization or business. This year, we were pleased to honor local resident and developer Michael Collins for his adaptive reuse of the 1939 North Elementary School as eleven condominiums. Michael's vision for the school included converting the so-called 'playroom', what we would call today the 'gymnasium,' into four of the eleven units. He worked closely with the Commission and a mason specializing in historic brickwork to arrange new windows that look like they had always been there. It is interesting to note that as the demolition of the classrooms was finished, Michael told us that the building was as straight, true and solid as the day it was built with New Deal money.
- Historic House Marker Program ~ The Commission's Historic House Marker program continues to make progress. The new ones requested this year are for 18 Chestnut Street (1898), 49 Lindenwood Road (1915) and 181 Central Street (c. 1896). This will bring our total to thirty-six markers. More information is available on the Town Web page.

"Historic preservation is a responsibility movement rather than rights movement. It is a movement that urges us toward the responsibility of stewardship, not merely the right of ownership. Stewardship of our historic built

environment, certainly; but stewardship of the meaning and memory of our communities manifested in those buildings as well." ~Donovan D. Rypkema, M.S., Historic Preservation, Columbia University, 1985

Submitted by Marcia M. Wengen, Co-Chair

## Historical Society

The Stoneham Historical Society is a nonprofit 501(c)3 organization dedicated to "Pride in our past; Faith in our future" since 1922. The Meeting Hall and Museum is located at 36 William Street in an historic building and boasts a diverse collection of artifacts, memorabilia, photographs, scrapbooks, ephemera, vintage clothing, shoe industry items and much more pertaining to the rich historical legacy of our town.

The goal for any historical group is to celebrate and share past events, accomplishments and experiences of a particular place. The challenge is to remain passionate about the past while simultaneously embracing new ideas and current technologies in order to remain relevant for all ages and ensure the organization's future viability. The Stoneham Historical Society continues to strive in those capacities. We maintain a diverse website, have a presence on Facebook as well as offer a traditional bi-annual printed newsletter and many hands-on educational and informative opportunities.

There are a variety of meetings/programs that are free and open to the general public as well as "members only" events, Field Trips and Fundraisers.

### The 2015 calendar included:

**March** – Cancelled due to the winter of historic record breaking snow accumulation.

**April** – Well known author, Anthony Sammarco, took the audience back to the time of riding on the "EL" – the Boston Elevated Railway that provided a 7-mile unencumbered ride high above the surging traffic as well as underground from Dudley Street Station in Roxbury and Sullivan Square Station in Charlestown from 1899 – 1987.

**April** – Antique Appraisal Night Fundraiser – "Antique or Junque" - Professional appraiser from Kaminiski Auctioneers entertained and impressed attendees with professional opinions of their treasures in the manner of the popular PBS TV series.

**April** – Research Day and Open House – Volunteers assisted visitors with home research and/or enlighten attendees about exhibits.

**May** – Preservation Month Program – annual commemoration in conjunction with the Stoneham Historical Commission. Alison Simcox and Douglas Heath, local authors of "Middlesex Fells: A Century of Recreation" educated all on "one of the largest forests existing within a metropolitan area and remains a retreat for people seeking greenery, exercise and solitude".

**May** – Election of Officers (all volunteers) for the timeframe 2015-2017. Per the by-laws, a Slate of Candidates was presented at the April meeting and additional candidates encouraged. The election resulted in the following: President and Public Relations – Paulene (Bee) Russo; 1<sup>st</sup> VP and Fundraising – Donna Weiss ; 2<sup>nd</sup> VP and Social Media – Stephen (Steve) Rotondi; Secretary- Faith H. Jenkins; Treasurer – Robert (Bob) VanTichelt. Appointments subsequently finalized: Curator – Mary Marchant; Building Committee – Al Binda, Donald Marchant, Bob VanTichelt; Website and Newsletter Coordinator – Marina Memmo.

**May and October** – At various times during these months, every 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Classroom from Stoneham walks to the Museum for a Field Trip. Thanks to the outstanding efforts and enthusiasm of the 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade School Program Coordinator, Linda Secondini, and her "army" of volunteers, each group has a memorable and educational guided tour of as many of the exhibits as time permits. Each receives a "Coloring Book History of Stoneham" as a keepsake and ongoing learning tool to take back to the classroom.

**September** – Annual Open House for general public to enjoy new exhibits and artifacts.

**October** – Shira Gladstone from Historic New England commemorated hurricane season with a presentation of "The Great Hurricane of 1938" reminding guests of the impact and aftermath of this unique storm. Subsequently, the SHS voted to become a member of Historic NE and as a result, the many benefits are passed onto to all SHS members.

**November** – Annual “Harvest Delights – Dessert Social” for members & guests followed by a fascinating presentation by Ryan Hayward entitled “Industrial Eden: The Legacy of Haywardville” which highlighted the lost 19<sup>th</sup> century mill village that once thrived in Stoneham yet little remains to show where it once stood.

**By-Law Amendment** – After a great deal of thoughtful discussion along with pro-bono professional consultation, the Board and membership present at November meeting, voted unanimously to move forward to hire a part-time, year-round Executive Director. A sub-committee created the job description and parameters for this newly created position and continues to meet during the advertising, reviewing and eventual hiring and training process. Many area historical societies have taken this step in order to remain vital for future generations.

Many thanks to the town of Stoneham for continued support and visitation, to all volunteers for giving their time on behalf of the organization and to the many individual, family and corporate members for critical financial support. We both greatly appreciate and need every category of involvement. Please consider participating in any capacity.

Visit the Stoneham Historical Society Meeting Hall and Museum at 36 William Street, explore [www.stonehamhistory.webs.com](http://www.stonehamhistory.webs.com), email [stonehamhistoricalsociety@ymail.com](mailto:stonehamhistoricalsociety@ymail.com), phone 781-832-2196 or reach out via Facebook.



Jim Kernan from Kaminski Auctioneers with Matt Grafton (a local firefighter) pictured with his mother-in-law. A family member had retired from E.L. Patch and they brought in the retirement gifts from a well-known Montvale Ave company



Grace Rosseli with author Anthony Sammarco and his book on the “EL”.

Submitted by Bee Russo, President

## Information Technology

The Information Technology Department has been working with users to maintain an adequate level of support for a growing user base. As more users are added and the applications grow in complexity, the system is beginning to show its age. I have managed to mitigate it to some degree through server reconfiguration and optimization, but need to revisit the current network configuration. I have begun to replace many of the older switches and configured newer switches to balance bandwidth issues. I expect to complete a network reconfiguration sometime in Spring 2016.

The 13 year-old telephone system became problematic and required replacement. The new system enables us to add all municipal building to a single system. This upgrade includes replacing 35 year-old telephones at the Library, an aging phone system at the Senior Center, and giving the Stoneham Arena an actual phone system.

I am also looking at upgrading the Town’s WiFi system. The new system will allow for more concurrent users and be compatible with many of the newer devices.

Submitted by Thomas Cicatelli

## Inspectional Services / Building Department

The Building Department is operating with one full-time Building Inspector, one full-time office assistant, a part-time Plumbing & Gas Inspector and a part-time Electrical Inspector.

The Report of the Inspectional Services Department for the Year 2015 is as follows:

New Single Family Dwellings	9
Building Permits Issued	790
Electrical Permits Issued	578
Plumbing Permits Issued	381
Gas Permits Issued	220
Sign Permits Issued	39
Sheet Metal Permits Issued	39
Certificate of Occupancy	33
Certificates of Inspection	35
<b>Total Fees Collected</b>	<b>\$1,061,503.50</b>

Submitted by Cheryl Noble, Building Inspector

## Memorial Day Parade Committee

The Memorial Day Parade Committee is a volunteer organization whose purpose is to coordinate the activities involved in remembering our veterans on both Memorial Day and Veterans Day. This year along with a Veterans Day Ceremony on November 11<sup>th</sup>, we also reinstated the Veterans Day 5K road race, which started immediately following the ceremony. A separate committee consisting of Megan Day, State Rep Michael Day, Jim Devlin, Bill McCabe and Maureen Buckley coordinated the race. This year's overall winner was Patrick Caron, 18.

Each year in preparation for Memorial Day, the committee coordinates the decorating of Stoneham veteran's graves at our local Lindenwood Cemetery, Pleasant Street Cemetery (Old Burial Ground), St Patrick Cemetery, and Puritan Lawn Cemetery in Peabody. This is accomplished with the help of many volunteers from local organizations, among them the American Legion Post #115, VFW Post #620 and local Boy and Girl Scouts. This year 3000 flags were placed. Wreaths with flags are posted on 14 street corner monuments by Legion volunteers under the direction of James Lamb. Large wreaths for the cemetery ceremonies and at veterans George Hall's monument at the Stone Pool, were placed by Maureen Buckley.

Planning for the Memorial Day Parade and ceremonies began in early February. This year's Parade Marshal was Army veteran Cameron Bain.

This year's parade line up included: Stoneham Police Department, Blue Knights Mass V Motorcycle Club, Veterans Float donated by Roy Fowley, Bob Shannon Civil War costume, Grand Marshal convertible- Army Veteran Cameron Bain driven by Mike Doucette, Kevin Barry Pipe Band, Stoneham Legion Post #115 Honor Guard, Stoneham Thanks our Veterans /Walking Veterans, Veterans Beantown Trolley, Natick Legion Band, HOTs float, 4 H Fife and Drum Corp, Town of Stoneham Selectmen. State Representative/ State Senator, Stoneham Senior Center Van, Antique Cars, Stoneham Zoo, Holy Ghost Band, Stoneham Cub Scouts, Stoneham High School Band, Stoneham Girl Scouts, Stoneham Girl Scout float (sponsored by RADS Kids), 1978 Honda Hawk – Jim Restoni, Stoneham Little League, Stoneham Softball League, Sinclair Towing Antique Fire Truck, Elks Antique cars, Stoneham Fire Trucks, Wakefield Auxiliary Fire and Ambulance, Medford Volunteer Fire Dept and Medford Volunteer Fire Dept.

The Stoneham Police bike unit and police cars assisted with traffic along the parade route. Volunteer Lynda Allard helped prevent cars from Lindenwood Road interfering with the parade as it passed by on Montvale Ave. Lynne Paine, Ryan Buckley, Cody Deputat and Maureen Buckley were in charge of lining up the parade. There was a brief ceremony at St Patrick Cemetery prior to the start of the parade, and another one at Lindenwood Cemetery when the parade stopped there for a short period. Stoneham Girl Scouts Sarah Cantwell and Jennifer Drohan read General Logans Orders and also placed the wreath at the flag pole, alongside the Legion Post #115 Color Guard. A final ceremony took place in front of Town Hall, where the parade ended. State Representative Michael Day spoke, along with Board of Selectman Chairman Tom Boussy and Selectman Caroline Colarusso. The invocation was performed by Legion Chaplain James White,

and Music is Art Agency Barbara Morash, Kristen, Taylor and Demetri Tsandisklides sang. The Stoneham High School Band, led by band director Len Simboski, provided musical selections. A special tribute was made in memory of past committee members who died this past year, Fred Mosley and Harry Sampson. Fred Kranfuss and Joe DeSisto were also remembered. Veteran Natalie Webb spoke on their behalf. VFW Patriots Pen contest winner Bridget Smith read her essay 'Why I appreciate American Veterans'. The Fung family provided sound for the events. Michael and Sue Doucette set up the banner on the gazebo on Town Common and equipment for the Town Hall Ceremony. The fire department posted the massive American flag on the side of Town Hall for the day.

The Veterans Walking Stick program continued this year, with a new addition to the parade of a Beantown trolley for veterans to ride on, who were unable to walk the route. Roy Fowley decorated and drove a veteran's float that also transported veterans. All participating veterans received walking sticks prior to the parade. Any veteran who participated by either walking or riding on our Veterans float received a walking stick, which were adorned with stickers for their branch of service and participation year. For those who were participating for a second year, a new sticker was presented for 2015.

Legion representatives attended Robin Hood, South and Colonial Park school's Memorial Day Programs during the week before Memorial Day. The schools produce wonderful patriotic programs each year. The committee received donations from the following businesses to help run the parade and ceremonies. Stoneham Ford donated two convertible cars for our Parade Grand Marshal and Ladies Auxiliary. Gamit Signs (Mark Todisco) donated the vehicle signs for our Parade Grand Marshal. Stoneham Rotary sponsored our Veteran Walking Sticks program and Stonehambank donated the Beantown Trolley. Clear Channel advertised for the parade. We are fortunate to have such wonderful supportive businesses in our town.

The parade and ceremonies were filmed by volunteers Loraine and Jim Drohan, and Lisa Buckley. After editing, the parade and ceremonies are shown on Stoneham TV.

We began planning early for the Veterans Day ceremony, which took place in front of Town Hall on November 11<sup>th</sup>, 2015. This year with the addition of the 5K veterans road race, there was more to prepare. Due to rain, the ceremony was moved inside Town Hall. The number of people attending the ceremony and race was impressive. Proud Veteran pins were given to veterans in attendance. Vietnam Veteran and Navy Seal Don Tocci, was our Honorary Guest Speaker. Also participating were Veterans Agent Jim Devlin, our Master of Ceremonies Dave Gardner, Korea/Vietnam Navy Veteran Dick Trenholm, singing God Bless America, All Saints Church Reverend Kate Elledge, and Selectman Chair Tom Boussy. Stoneham Girl Scouts performed a song and Stoneham Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts provided color guards along with. Legion Post #115. The Stoneham High School Band provided musical selections. Timothy Fung videoed the ceremony and race kick off, which was later shown on Stoneham TV. Kenneth Fung and family supplied the sound.

#### Memorial Day Parade Committee Members 2015

James Devlin – Veterans Agent, Maureen Buckley – Chairman, Kevin Cantwell – Vice Chairman  
Jay Humphreys – Secretary, Michael Doucette, James Lamb, George Parsons, Frank Geary



Veterans Agent James Devlin

Respectfully Submitted by Maureen Buckley – Chairman

#### **Planning Board**

The Stoneham Planning Board met sixteen times and conducted nineteen public hearings during 2015. Twelve special permits were granted. Two bond requests for new subdivisions were approved. Five plans were endorsed Approval Not Required under the

Subdivision Control Law. Hearings were held and recommendations made on three Zoning Bylaw Warrant Articles. In addition, members participated in the Business Roundtable, Stoneham Square Action Plan Committee, and other joint meetings.

The Board faces many challenges that will continue to be in the forefront of planning efforts in the community. Most business and residential development in Stoneham have been classified as reuse or repurpose projects in otherwise mature districts and neighborhoods for almost a decade. The difficulty and complexity in dealing with these projects has increased exponentially in the last several years. The Board is always committed to recognizing the rights of those seeking to develop their property while protecting the rights of abutting properties and the good of the Town.

The Board acted upon several Zoning By-Law amendments that focused on the boundaries between various residential and commercial uses. This appears to be a trend and requires a high level of diligence in these sensitive issues. Other major projects remained in process due largely to the proponents themselves taking the opportunity to work with the Town and the Board to rethink and redesign projects that have already been submitted to the Board in a spirit of cooperation and mutual respect. The Board at several meetings, with the goal of breaking ground in 2015, undertook major design review of the Fallon Road housing development.

Your Board remains dedicated to resolving as many issues in our jurisdiction within the Town without recourse to the court system; but we will exercise every option to protect the integrity of the Board and the Town. We remain committed to take very measure within our jurisdiction to protect the rights of the Town and the integrity of the abutting neighborhoods with regard to the proposal for the large affordable housing project on Franklin Street now advancing under M.G.L. Chapter 40B.

I would like to thank fellow members Kevin Dolan, Terrence Dolan and Daniel Moynihan and Tom O'Grady for their commitment and long-term dedication. We also bid farewell to long term Board Member Stephen Catalano and thank him for contributions over many years. Our work has advanced rapidly and professionally due to the efforts of Cathy Rooney, our Planning Board Administrator. We welcomed our new Town Planner, Erin Wortman, filling a position vacant since 2001. We are fortunate to have such capable staff members allow the Board to function as efficiently as possible.

In closing, we would like to thank all of our colleagues in the various other boards, commissions and departments for their assistance and support in 2015

Respectfully submitted, August S. Niewenhous

## **Police Department**

### **OFFICE OF THE CHIEF OF POLICE**

The Stoneham Police Department is committed to providing the highest level of professional police services while respecting the constitutional rights of every person living in or visiting the Town of Stoneham. We achieve this mission by working in partnership with the community and by practicing all facets of Community Oriented Policing. Serving with compassion and respect to all members of the public, we remain committed to providing these services with professionalism and integrity.

The Office of the Chief manages the overall operation of the Stoneham Police Department and plans for the future in close collaboration with the Town Administrator.

In 2015, the Stoneham Police Department was comprised of 34 full-time police officers. The civilian administrative staff for the department consisted of office manager Mary Zatta and part-time office assistants Patricia Quinn and Raymie Parker.

The following is a listing of the Department's police officers as of December 31, 2015: Chief James McIntyre; Lieutenants Richard McCarthy, David Stefanelli; Sergeants Robert Swasey, Tony Kranefuss, Steven Nims, Robert Kennedy, David Thistle, Kenneth Wilkins, Thomas Heller; Officers Sheryl Rotondi, Stephen Carroll, Joseph Ponzo, Paul Norton, Thomas Day, Christopher Copan, Edward Fucarile, Christopher Apalakis, William Reinold, Christopher Dalis, David Ryan, Patrick Carroll, Kenneth Bowdidge, Laura Engel, Luc Bourgeois, David Szydłowski, Jonathan Mahoney, Derek McShane, Stephen Aprile, Michael DeCroteau, John Curtis, Brendan Carr, Michael Colotti, and Brian Raffaelo.

On September 9, John Burton and Arthur Yeomelakis were appointed as Student Police Officers and began the Reading Police Academy with a graduation date of February 11, 2016.

The police department had several notable cases in 2015. In January, officers responded to the attempted robbery of a gas station by a masked suspect armed with a knife. During the attempted robbery, the clerk was able to pull away the mask from the suspect, who then fled the gas station. An officer responding to the call made note of a vehicle driving from the area and this observation was key to solving this crime. Detectives were able to identify a suspect, who was subsequently arrested and received a two year jail sentence for the crime.

In March, two gas stations were robbed days apart by the same individual. Using video from the gas stations and information provided by witnesses, a suspect was arrested and the cases are in court.

In May, officers responded to a bank robbery. Working in conjunction with the FBI Bank Robbery Task Force, it was determined that the suspect was responsible for four additional bank robberies in the area. Using the local media, photos of the suspect were shown on television and the police department received information identifying the suspect. After an investigation, the male suspect was located and arrested.

In June, officers responded to the robbery of a jewelry store. A male suspect entered the store, armed with a knife. The clerk ran from the store and contacted police. The suspect fled the scene and was located a short distance from the store and arrested.

Also in June, officers responded to a home invasion where three masked males, one armed with a handgun, entered a home and duct-taped two residents. One resident was assaulted during the incident where money and drugs were taken. This was not a random act and the incident is still under investigation.

In October, officers responded to a business for a panic alarm activation. Upon arrival, officers learned that a robbery had taken place, with the employees assaulted by a stun gun type weapon and had their hands/legs bound. Over \$100,000 in merchandise was taken during the robbery. This was not a random act and the incident is still under investigation.

Also in October, Officer Sheryl Rotondi responded to a report of a male who had collapsed in the basement of the Congregational Church, across the street from the police station. Upon arriving at the church, Officer Rotondi found a male who was unresponsive and she began CPR. The male was transported to the hospital and emergency room personnel credited Officer Rotondi with saving the male's life. Four days later, Officer Rotondi assisted in the birth of a child on Montvale Avenue.

In November, officers responded to a bank robbery. Working in conjunction with other agencies, it was determined that the suspect was responsible for an additional bank robbery. After a one month investigation, the suspect was located and taken into custody and is awaiting trial.

Also in November, officers testified in Woburn Superior Court in the trial of Eugene Tate, who was arrested for the July 3, 2013 murder of Stoneham resident Joseph Puopolo and the shooting of another male. A jury convicted Tate of first degree murder.

In closing, I would like to thank the officers and civilian staff of the Stoneham Police Department for all their hard work over the past year.

Respectfully submitted by Chief James McIntyre

#### Stoneham Auxiliary Police Department

The Stoneham Auxiliary Police Department is a volunteer organization designed to augment the Stoneham Police Department. Some of the responsibilities of the Auxiliary Police are to provide additional patrols of Town owned property, assist with traffic at community events such as Town Day, and the Holiday tree lighting on the common. They will also offer assistance during a Town emergency. When working Auxiliary Police Officers possess the same police powers as a full time police officer. Prior to working as an Auxiliary Officer the candidate is required to attend the Basic Reserve Police Officer Academy sponsored by the Municipal Police Training Committee. In addition to this basic training all Auxiliary Officers are required to re-certify annually in first aid/CRP as well as firearms qualification sponsored by the Stoneham Police Department.

Currently, there are thirteen active members on the Auxiliary Police. The following is a list of the active members:

August Niewenhous – Chief Eugenio Ianniciello - Patrolman

David Luciano – Lieutenant John Lazzaro - Patrolman

George Lessard – Sergeant Christopher Ponzo - Patrolman

Daniel Marsden – Sergeant Juan Yepez - Patrolman  
 Geoffrey Buchanan – Patrolman Michael Juliano - Patrolman  
 David Delling – Patrolman Eric Buckley - Patrolman  
 Maurice DiCicco – Patrolman

In the year 2015, these individuals donated approximately 250 hours to the Town of Stoneham.  
 Respectfully submitted by Sergeant Thomas Heller

**Detective Bureau**

The Detective Bureau is responsible for all adult and juvenile criminal investigations, narcotic investigations, computer crime investigations and subsequent prosecutions. Additionally, the Detective Bureau is responsible for the security of all evidence, the processing of gun permits and the local dissemination of all Sex Offender information. The Bureau also assists residents that require their fingerprints recorded for job applications and adoption purposes.

In 2015, the Detective Bureau included Inspector Christopher Dalis (Detective/Juvenile Officer), Inspector David Ryan (Computer Specialist), Inspector Paul Norton (Narcotics), Inspector Christopher Copan (Prosecutor) and Inspector Stephen Carroll (Night Detective). Inspector Stephen Aprile was assigned to the detective bureau on a temporary basis to assist with investigations after the retirement of Inspector Robert McKinnon.

In the past year, the Bureau processed 70 new Licenses to Carry Firearms and renewed 43 Licenses to Carry Firearms.

**CRIME STATISTICS**

Arrests	137
Criminal/Civil summonses	174
Court Hearings	77
Court Trials	91
Scheduled Arraignments	262
Homicides	0
Sex Crimes	11
Assaults	101
Robberies	12
Missing Persons	37
Vandalism	71
Larceny	163
Threats/Harassment	126
Breaking and Entering (including attempts)	90
Breaking and Entering (motor vehicles only)	58
Domestic Disturbances	143
Restraining Order & Harassment Order Violations	48
Service/Attempted Service of Restraining/Harassment Orders	165
Firearm Calls	4
Summonses Served	207
Animal Calls	130
Disturbance Calls	574
Road Hazards	151
Building/Area/Person Checks	2,448
Medical Aid Calls	2,186
Motor Vehicle Stops	2,049
Motor Vehicles – Stolen	8
Motor Vehicles – Recovered	7
Motor Vehicle Crashes	622
OUI - Liquor	18
OUI - Drugs	6
Protective Custody	25
Alarms (including fire alarms)	697

Hypodermic Needles Recovered	35
Drug Calls (other than criminal investigations)	16
Mutual Aid/NEMLEC Callouts	42
Directed Patrols	1,437

**SEXUAL OFFENDERS** living/working in Stoneham as of December 31, 2015:  
(Sex Offender info available on line at [www.mass.gov/sorb](http://www.mass.gov/sorb))

- 0 - Level Three Offender: risk of recidivism is high and offender information actively disseminated to public.
- 5 - Level Two Offenders: risk of recidivism is moderate and offender information available upon request.
- 7 - Level One Offenders: risk of recidivism is low and no offender information available.

**DEATHS:** All sudden deaths were reported to the Medical Examiner. All were determined noncriminal at this time.

Forty four (44) drug overdoses were reported in 2015, therefore the investigation of narcotic incidents continues to be an ongoing priority. Joint effort and assistance comes from surrounding communities within the Southern Middlesex Regional Drug Task Force, the Middlesex District Attorney's State Police Task Force, the Attorney General's State Police Task Force, the United States Drug Enforcement Agency and the Internal Revenue Service.

The members of the Detective Bureau continue to participate in the monthly Northeast Middlesex Law Enforcement Council detective meetings. These meetings act as a forum for the exchange of information between as many as seventy agencies. These agencies include not only local, state and federal law enforcement agencies, but private agencies as well.

Detective Ryan completed his second full year as the Department's Computer Specialist in April of 2015. Detective Ryan continued to work on a number of projects to keep the Stoneham Police Department up to date with current technology.

Detective Ryan completed a grant application allowing the police department to receive \$25,000 for upgrading the computer systems in our police cruisers. This grant award allowed for the purchase of new tablets and mounting systems for six of our cruisers. These new tablets allow the officers to run queries on license plates and licenses, to write crash and incident reports and see other department's reports.

Detective Ryan completed the set up and training of the False Alarm Billing system for our records personnel. The False Alarm Billing system tracks false alarms by residents and businesses, creates and prints invoices for the false alarms and tracks the payments of fines. The implementation of Jivasoft XtraDuty, which is a new software system used to streamline the issuing, invoicing and collection of payments for the police departments 'details' into one system was finalized in 2015.

Detective Ryan also assisted the Town's Chief Technology Officer in upgrading the cameras and camera recording system throughout the station, therefore making the monitoring of prisoners in custody at the station more streamlined and automatic, helping to reduce liability to the Town.

In addition to all of these improvements, Detective Ryan also continued with the daily management of all network computers/servers, cruiser tablets, software systems, phones and printers throughout the department. He submitted monthly NIBRS reports to the State, as required. The data included in these NIBRS reports is used to establish national crime statistics, which assists law enforcement agencies in obtaining both physical and financial resources. Detective Ryan continued to submit Stoneham's daily incident reports to the Statewide Information Sharing System (SWISS) so that other departments around the state can view our incident data which assists in the ongoing investigations of other municipalities. Detective Ryan also continued to grow our Twitter followers to over 2700 followers.

The Detective Bureau continues to work in conjunction with Patrol Operations in conducting follow up investigations and surveillance for both ongoing criminal activity and persons wanted on outstanding arrest warrants.

Respectfully submitted by Lieutenant/Detective Richard McCarthy

### **Safety Officer**

The Safety Officer's office supervises 16 full-time traffic directors, 4 part-time traffic directors and 5 part-time parking enforcement officers. The parking enforcement officers work a combined 20 hours per week issuing parking violations for illegally parked motor vehicles as well as enforcing the town's parking placard program. With the help of the school department and the Department of Public Works, several motor vehicle enforcement signs have been placed throughout the town and the schools to help facilitate the safe passage of all motor vehicles.

I continue to work with the Planning Board and the Building Department in reviewing site plans and often meet with the heads of town departments to coordinate their needs from the police department.

This year with the new fifth grade added to the new Central Middle School, this office handed out a record 80 Christmas gifts to the students of the Middle School. This program is currently in its thirteenth year and with the help of the Central Middle School P.T.O. it once again was a huge success.

I continue to educate the children of the elementary schools in programs such as Stranger Danger and Halloween Safety, assisted by McGruff "The Crime Dog". These programs have been received by students and staff with open arms.

By attending monthly Massachusetts Safety Officer's League meetings, I continue to gain contacts from several different police departments and agencies such as the Registry of Motor Vehicles and AAA. Information received at these meetings help provide me with the information used in my safety articles what appear in our weekly newspapers.

With the help of the Chiefs of Police Association and the Jimmy Fund, I was able to raise approximately \$450.00 with the Jimmy Fund can program.

With the town's "See Click Fix" app, I investigate a gamut of complaints and suggestions regarding safety in order to help improve the quality of life for the students and residents of the Town of Stoneham.

Respectfully submitted by Officer Joseph Ponzo

### **Patrol Operations**

The Stoneham Police Department Patrol Operations Section currently consists of 27 uniformed officers; 1 Lieutenant, 7 Sergeants and 19 Officers. There are currently two student officers representing Stoneham in the Municipal Police Academy in Reading and scheduled to graduate in February of 2016.

The men and women of the patrol operations section perform the most visible and recognized function within the Stoneham Police Department. They are the ones in uniform and in marked cruisers who are the first to respond to calls. In 2015, there were 14,481 incidents logged which is a more than 10% increase from last year. There were 137 arrests and 25 people placed into protective custody. When officers are not on calls, they patrol the streets promoting public safety through visibility and the education and enforcement of motor vehicle laws. Officers made over 2000 motor vehicle stops and issued 999 citations. Over 1600 parking tickets were issued throughout the year.

Each member of the police department is required to receive a minimum of 40 hours of annual in-service training required by the Municipal Police Training Committee (MPTC) as well as 16 hours of 9-1-1 In-Service Training. Officers have gone to various In-Service and 911 trainings including CPR, First Responder, Legal Update, Missing Person, Critical Incident and Active Shooter to name a few.

Lt. Stefanelli was nominated to represent the Town of Stoneham at the FBI National Academy in Quantico, Virginia from April thru June and received 400 hours of academic & physical training and received both the 'Yellow Brick' and 'Blue Brick' award distinctions. Sgt. Kraneffuss was promoted to Acting Lieutenant in charge of patrol operations while Lt. Stefanelli was attending this ten week training program. Officer Apalakis was promoted to Acting Sergeant in November and attended several supervisor training classes and completed ICS-300. Sgt. Heller, Officer Patrick Carroll and Officer Szydlowski received certification as Field Training Officers. Sergeants Kennedy and Heller were certified as Taser instructors. The police department also sponsored its annual firearms and rifle qualifications. Overall, uniformed officers attended more than 2500 hours of training, certainly the most in my tenure and very likely the most in the history of the police department.

Sergeant David Thistle is the Department's Domestic Violence Officer and sits on the board for both the Middlesex District Attorney's Office Domestic Violence Unit (MDAO-DVU) and Stoneham Alliance Against Violence (SAAV). He attended a training titled 'Investigating Strangulation' as well as many other trainings and conferences on domestic violence. Several years ago the department was awarded a grant by the Department of Justice and Sgt. Thistle collaborated with many agencies and created the Southern Middlesex Area Response Team (SMART) of which Sgt. Thistle remains an integral part. He also continues to work closely with Respond, Inc., a Somerville based domestic violence non-profit (the first in New England and the second in the nation) which provides training, education, safety planning, support and emergency shelters for people impacted by domestic violence. Sgt. Thistle is also the Fire Investigator for the police department. He attended a Department of Homeland Security (DHS) sponsored five day training on Prevention and Response to Suicide Bombing Investigations at New Mexico Tech in Socorro, NM and became certified as an instructor. He also completed Advanced Fire Investigation class held at the Massachusetts Firefighter Academy in Stow. There were three investigations conducted to determine the origin and cause of fires that occurred in Stoneham.

The Stoneham Police Department continues its membership in the North Eastern Massachusetts Law Enforcement Council (NEMLEC), which is a consortium of 61 law enforcement agencies within Middlesex and Essex Counties. As a member of NEMLEC, our department is able to call upon the resources of the organization for support and assistance when a need arises. These resources include a Special Weapons and Tactics (SWAT) team to assist in high-risk operations, a Regional Response Team (RRT) to assist in maintaining public order during a demonstration or disaster, a Motorcycle Unit to assist with traffic control, a School Threat Assessment and Response System (STARS) to assist during a school related emergency, as well as other specialized units, investigative tools and personnel. Sgt. Kennedy is assigned to the STARS team and is the Assistant Commander. Sgt. Heller is assigned to the SWAT team. Sgt. Kennedy coordinated K-9 searches with NEMLEC at the Stoneham High School and an evacuation drill at the Stoneham Central Middle School and responded to 4 STARS calls in other NEMLEC jurisdictions. Sgt. Heller responded to 14 SWAT calls in other NEMLEC jurisdictions.

The Stoneham Police Department is a community oriented department and we participate in many events throughout the year. In the spring, officers participated in the Senior Promenade, the Stoneham High All Night Grad Party, the Memorial Day Parade, Health & Wellness Expo, Touch-A-Truck and the Bruins Alumni Game for the Boys & Girls Club. Detective Norton and Officer Bowdidge coordinated the 16<sup>th</sup> annual fishing derby along with other officers with great success. In the fall, officers assisted with Halloween safety talks, Stoneham Town Day and the Stoneham Road Race as well as the Trick or Treat Stroll. In the winter, we assisted in the Stoneham Common Tree Lighting as well as Whip Hill's Holiday event and Detective David Ryan headed our annual CPU Christmas Party for local children along with the help of many officers including retired Detective Thomas Marshall.

Lt. Stefanelli is the grant writer for the Stoneham Police Department. We were the recipient of over \$100,000.00 in state grant funds for 911 support and training, targeted traffic enforcement and an equipment grant from the Department of Justice in which Det. Ryan was instrumental in assisting with the writing of the grant and the implementation of the equipment awarded.

Respectfully submitted by Lieutenant David J. Stefanelli

#### Public Safety Dispatch

The Public Safety Dispatch Department provides 24-hour civilian dispatching for the Police Department, Fire Department and contract ambulance. The department is comprised of six full-time dispatchers and one part-time dispatcher that operate from a combined communications center located in the police station.

During the course of 2015 over 14,400 calls for service were processed through the dispatch center. The center received over 5,800 of these requests for service via the 9-1-1 telephone system. Residents are highly encouraged to use 9-1-1 to report police, fire and medical emergencies. These 9-1-1 calls for service do not include the numerous business or public information calls that are received by the center or walk-in reports to the Police Station that must also be processed by the dispatch staff.

Of the calls for service: 11,541 involved the Police Department, 3,068 involved the Fire Department and 2,744 involved an ambulance. Added together, these numbers total 17,353 incidents as many calls for service involve a multi agency response.

The day shift dispatched 6,109 calls for service, the evening shift dispatched 5,122 calls for service and the overnight shift dispatched 3,219 calls for service.

During the year, dispatch personnel attended training classes covering topics such as: Dispatch Legal Issues, 9-1-1 liability, active shooter situations, "You Just Never Know", Public Safety Telecommunicator 1, Missing Persons and Domestic Violence Intervention.

In August, Dispatcher Justin Lindahl was appointed to replace Dispatcher Stephen Duke, who retired after many years of dedicated service to the Town. Dispatcher Lindahl came to us with a background in campus security and law enforcement.

Respectfully submitted by David Luciano, Head Dispatcher

## Public Library

This is the 156th report of the Stoneham Public Library covering the calendar year 2015.

### Budget Issues

The same issues existed in 2015 as in each of the last few years. The budget continues to be a concern for the Town of Stoneham and the Commonwealth as a whole. Town Meeting voted to provide enough funds to the library to maintain our certification with the state for 2015-2016. We remain grateful to our supporters for their efforts.

Despite these budget issues, the Stoneham Public Library managed to present a dynamic series of programs throughout the year. The Library has no programming budget, so all our programs are 100% funded by donations, grants, and gifts from individuals, organizations and the Friends of the Library.

### Hours of Operation

Thankfully, the Library's hours of operation remained stable at 51 per week, but this is still 10 hours less than previously enjoyed. With libraries being used more than ever, not just for reading but for job searches, job applications and updating resumes, it is imperative that the number of open hours not be reduced and preferable that they be increased. Our new Long Range Plan includes an objective to restore the Saturday and Sunday hours lost more than 10 years ago.

## FACILITY

Several major repairs were required during 2015 relating directly to the heating system. One of the radiators in the 1984 addition developed a serious leak. It could only be replaced with a custom built radiator at a cost of nearly \$4,000. A water pump also required replacement at a cost of nearly \$2,000.

Darkness was a security problem outside of the building. We replaced and added outdoor lighting at a cost of \$1,315. This was a small price to pay to increase security and safety for our patrons and the building. Next we would like to replace the two light poles that are being held together by duct tape.

New carpet was installed on the main floor but the rest of the building retains its 32 year-old worn carpet. We resubmitted our request to the Capital Improvement Committee in hopes that they will reconsider and fund the remainder of the project as was originally intended several years ago.

## MATERIALS COLLECTIONS

The Trustees were again forced to dip into reserves to adequately fund the materials budget and retain our state certification. Nearly \$16,000 was spent from the library's state aid account in FY15. We were grateful to have these funds to fall back on. We are again draining the Library's reserves by using over \$14,000 in state aid funds to purchase materials in FY 2016 for a total of \$30,000 over the course of two years. This is not a healthy trend.

Again this year, our citizens made use of the Interlibrary Loan service the library provides. By remaining certified, the library is able to supplement its collection by borrowing from our neighbors. Interlibrary Loan requests increased by 8% to **12,120** items. These items were delivered directly to the Stoneham Public Library. This valuable service will continue as long as we are open and certified. Further, in 2015 citizens of Stoneham borrowed over **34,025 items (an increase of 4.5%)** at our four nearest neighboring NOBLE libraries in Lynnfield, Melrose, Reading and Wakefield. This service will also continue as long as the library is open and certified.

Ebook readers have become extremely popular and the use of ebooks and audiobooks circulated by the library via OverDrive reflects that popularity. Circulation of these items increased **another 23%** during 2015. Access to the Overdrive collection can be found at [overdrive.noblenet.org](http://overdrive.noblenet.org) and includes both ebooks and audiobooks free of charge.

The internet has become an extremely important part of everyone's life. The Library encourages our citizens to access our rich collection of online resources. Whether working on a paper, studying for the SATs or researching a future purchase, there is a database available that will provide accurate information for research papers, practice tests (over 843 tests from elementary school to Civil Service Exams), and Consumer Reports database. Visit [www.stonehamlibrary.org](http://www.stonehamlibrary.org) and click on the Online Databases link under the Resources tab.

### **Junior Library**

The Junior Library remains one of the busiest places in Stoneham.

StoryTimes were held several times a week to capacity crowds. Attendance ranged from 75 to 150 a week depending on the time of year. These FREE programs are a vital step in early literacy. StoryTimes help prepare many young children the transition to school.

Junior Library Book Clubs continue to be very popular. Programs are held for 3 grade levels: Grades 4 & 5, Tweens in Grades 6, 7 & 8, and Teens in Grades 9 & up. They continue to be well received.

The popularity of LEGOs never seems to wane, particularly with the addition of LEGOLAND in Boston, and the LEGO Club continues to thrive.

As always, the Summer Reading Program helped to ensure that our children continued to read and grow during the summer months. A series of programs in the Junior Library made the library a very popular destination.

The summer kickoff in June featured **MINI GOLF in the Library**. Participants played miniature golf in the Library at holes that traveled from the lower level of the Adult Library to the final hole in the Junior Library. This program was sponsored by **StonehamBank** and was extremely popular.

July was an extremely busy month in the Junior Library. The **Topsfield Fair** sponsored **Sunflower Plants and Crafts**.

The **DinoMan Puppet Show**, sponsored by the **Stoneham Business and Educational Foundation** drew a large crowd.

The **Spotted Turtle Herpetological Institute** returned with a live reptile program which featured a giant yellow Burmese Python which one attendee got to wear as a scarf.

Ronald McDonald visited the Library with **Ronald McDonald's Read and Magic** program. The program provided magic, music and a photo-op with Ronald. This program was sponsored by Montvale Avenue McDonalds in Woburn.

The **Wooden Toy Workshop** program sent each child home with a finished wooden project that they built themselves using a hammer, nails and paints. It was sponsored by the **Salem Five Bank**.

**Max & Suzy Adventure with the Kidstock** Theatre returned to Stoneham for another successful run. This program was sponsored by **Burke & Co., LLC**.

**Science & Magic with the Museum of Science** was co-sponsored by the **MOS** and **Weiss Farm**.

**Diane Kordas of Romper Rhythm Puppets** returned in December with a production of the Shoemaker and the Elves. It was a fun family program.

The year also saw visits from Clifford the Big Red Dog, a Frozen Princess, and singer/storyteller Steve Blunt. Steve's appearance was sponsored by a Massachusetts/Stoneham Cultural Council Grant.

As always, there is no programming budget for the Library. The Junior Library depends entirely on donations and grants for any and all programs. The Trustees and staff are very grateful for the generosity of our local businesses, organizations and individuals that sponsored these valuable special programs.

### Adult Library

Both the materials and the computers have been heavily used this past year. The Library continues to be a particularly important source of help for job seekers, instruction for new computer users, and new ebook users.

The visiting author series continues to be popular.

During National Library Week the Friends of the Library held a **Tea and Chocolate Tasting Fund Raiser**. Not only did attendees get a chance to sample some chocolate treats but they also enjoyed a visit from two popular mystery authors; **Edith Maxwell** and **Susan Oleksiw** of "Sisters in Crime" spoke about their writing process and how they develop their ideas.

The Friends also held their Annual Breakfast in April. Their visiting author/presenter this year was Elisabeth Elo whose debut novel, **North of Boston**, was selected as one of Booklist's best crime novels of 2014. Both the breakfast and the author were well received.

Stoneham Author **Leo Maloney** presented: "**The Journey from a Black Operative to a Thriller Writer**" on May 21st. The author, whose book **Termination Orders** will begin filming for the big screen in 2016, is always a crowd pleaser.

In August two Financial Planning programs were held at the Library. Society for Financial Awareness with George and Steve Pessotti presented programs on financial planning for your future. These programs were sponsored by the Friends of the Library.

In November author **Michael Hartigan** visited the Library to discuss his new book **Stone Angels** while in December **Mitzi Weinman** used her book, **It's About Time**, to deliver suggestions on how to improve one's productiveness and focus with less stress.

These author programs were all sponsored by the Friends of the Stoneham Public Library.

Both of the library's adult book groups continue to thrive. Reference Librarian, Maureen Saltzman, is a seasoned discussion facilitator and the reason for the success of these groups.

All these programs were free of charge to the public.

The Reference Department continues play an important role for those seeking employment, doing research, tracing family and obtaining material from outside our library. The 12,000+ Interlibrary Loan items mentioned earlier are all ordered and processed by a single Reference Librarian, in addition to coordinating the library's adult book groups.

This will be my last Annual Report for the Stoneham Public Library. I will be retiring in April of 2016. So, I would like to take this opportunity to share a few alarming statistics with the Board of Selectmen and the citizens of Stoneham.

In 2014, the most recent year for which figures are available, here is how Stoneham's Library compared with some of her neighbors:

#### **Total Town Appropriation to the Library:**

Melrose	\$ 925,000
Reading	\$1,343,000
Wakefield	\$1,333,000
Stoneham	\$ 721,000

#### **Full Time Equivalent Employees & Total Positions:**

Melrose	16.17	34
Reading	21.20	38
Wakefield	22.14	42
Stoneham	12.43	18

#### **Total Staff Hours Worked per Week:**

Melrose	566
Reading	742
Wakefield	775
Stoneham	435

#### **Hours Open:**

Melrose	61
Reading	63
Wakefield	61
Stoneham	51

Clearly, Stoneham is lagging behind her neighbors. We lost 10 hours of operation over 10 years ago and the Library is barely maintaining its certification. While other communities expand their services and add staff, Stoneham barely stays even. When our patrons ask why we do not offer some of the services that neighboring libraries do, we need only point to the statistics listed above. I hope the next 10 years will bring better things for our library.

As always, the Library Board of Trustees and I wish to thank the entire staff. They are second to none in their dedication to the public and to the Library. Thank you also to the Friends of the Library for their tireless support.

It has been an honor and privilege to work here for the last 31 years. I have worked with wonderful colleagues and have had experiences I will never forget. My profound gratitude goes out to all of you.

Respectfully Submitted, Mary P. Todd, Director

## Public Works Department

The Department of Public Works (DPW) is now operating with a total complement of 29.1 full time positions. One employee works three (3) days per week for the DPW and two (2) days per week at Whip Hill Park. Two employees work 9 months at the golf course and 3 months for D.P.W. The total complement of employees includes Engineering and Administrative personnel as well as Water, Sewer, Highway, Cemetery, and Equipment Maintenance staffing. As noted in recent years, our current complement of employees necessitates the "privatization" of more aspects of our operation.

In 1981 there were 67 full-time employees in the Department. Today's complement of employees is not nearly enough to safely maintain the Town and its infrastructure while addressing everyday issues. For example, 17 employees are entrusted with the everyday maintenance of over 80 miles of sanitary sewer piping, water mains, storm drainage, and roadways.

As a result of the personnel shortage, most of our tree work including regular maintenance and emergency removal, sidewalk resurfacing and/or replacement, water main installations/replacements, drainage system upgrades/repairs and sewer rehabilitation/repair is accomplished by private contractors following public bidding procedures. This movement towards "privatization" leaves the Town shorthanded when confronted with emergencies such as hurricanes or major snowstorms. In order to provide adequate plowing services, additional contractors must be hired. In fact, two thirds of the plow routes are cleared by private contractor vehicles.

### Engineering

Working under the direction and guidance of the Public Works Director/Town Engineer, Engineering is directly involved in the diverse activities performed by the Department of Public Works as listed below:

1. Oversees the planning, design, construction, and renovation of the many miles of water, sewer, and storm drainage piping within the Town's distribution and collection systems.
2. Development of the annual work construction program along with plans, specifications, and all appropriate bidding materials.
3. Construction control and supervision.
4. Cemetery roadway layout and plot planning.
5. Preparation of plans, specifications, and bidding documents for various construction projects involving the Town's infrastructure and buildings.
6. Ensuring compliance with federal, state, and local regulations relative to bidding contracts and the procurement of services.
7. Contract award and execution.
8. Overseeing and administering contracts and construction inspections relative to those contracts.
9. Responding to citizen inquiries and complaints relative to Public Works projects and infrastructure.
10. Reviewing plot plans of individual homes with respect to water/sewer locations and driveway grading.
11. Site plan and subdivision review with associated surety-need estimates in regard to construction costs within Town approved subdivisions. These estimates are needed for surety/ bonding to ensure the completion of projects in accordance with Town standards. As construction proceeds, engineering updates and recommends the surety required.
12. Prioritizing roadway maintenance on a 70-mile plus roadway network.
13. Maintenance of virtually every Town building (excluding schools) and various properties under the control of the DPW, and now including the golf course.
14. Prioritizing and scheduling maintenance, replacement and upgrading services of 11 signalized intersections (traffic signals).
15. Scheduling annual traffic marking (centerline, stop bar, crosswalk) services.
16. Engineering serves as a consultant to every Town department and committee in regard to technical support for engineering related services.
17. Engineering maintains detailed records and plans of various structures and utilities throughout Town. Additional plans by the department are indexed and filed. Scaled drawings and field sketches indicating the age, type, and location of every sewer main, water main, and storm drain as well as each individual water and sewer service connection to every home in Town, are kept at DPW.
18. Reviewing street opening requests by contractors and utilities and supervising the restoration of the Town's infrastructure.

- 19. Prioritizing pumping station maintenance and operations.
- 20. Coordinating pavement repair and sidewalk replacement as funds allow.
- 21. Development of the annual paving program including the submission of various project request forms and subsequent reimbursement request forms related to work that is state-funding based (Chapter 90).
- 22. Sign installation and replacement programs.
- 23. Coordinate tree maintenance and planting.
- 24. Managing snow plow operations of roadways and sidewalks.
- 25. Ordering various materials required for maintenance and construction.
- 26. Emergency response during inclement weather conditions, including downed trees and dangerous conditions.
- 27. Managing all contractors that work within the public way throughout the year.
- 28. Managing all operations at the Stevens Street Recycling Center.
- 29. Calculating and comparing various cost alternatives at the Stevens Street Recycling Center to ensure financial effectiveness.
- 30. Prioritizing streetlight repair, maintenance, and assessment of streetlight requests to ensure town criteria are met.
- 31. Assisting DPW personnel with Dig-Safe mark outs.
- 32. Assessment of field maintenance needs and organic fertilization programs as funds allow.
- 33. Irrigation system yearly assessment, coordination of repairs, and programming.
- 34. Assess and recommend changes to the vehicle inventory, including evaluating recommendations from mechanics.
- 35. Manage the backflow prevention program as required by the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) and file yearly reports.
- 36. Applying for various grants including but not limited to energy efficiency programs. Said grants apply to DPW buildings, infrastructure and other town buildings under the direction of the DPW.
- 37. Supervising the work under approved grants.
- 38. Providing documentation for FEMA to apply for reimbursement funding after storms that qualify for Federal assistance.

Engineering is becoming more involved in computer technology. All of the water and sewer service sketches have been scanned into the computer system. Plan drafting is being accomplished by way of a computer-based program (CAD). In addition, our department is continually assisting with updating the geographic information system (GIS).

During the year, the Engineering Division prepared bidding documents, solicited bids and evaluated proposals for different contracts, including but not limited to streetlight maintenance and granite curb and concrete sidewalk installation, in addition to bidding documents prepared by engineering consultants. Proposals for various equipment, materials, services and construction contracts were received, considered and recommendations for award or rejection rendered. In addition, engineering assisted consultant engineers in development of plans and bidding documents for various projects including but not limited to sewer rehabilitation work, traffic light replacement, sewer pump station rehabilitation and a water system hydraulic analysis.

The engineers review and make comments on all site plans submitted to the Town through the Board of Selectmen, Planning Board, Building Inspector, individual citizen, etc. We also worked closely with engineers for the Massachusetts Water Resources Authority (M.W.R.A) in reference to the proposed expansion of the water system and upgrades to the sewer system. Eversource is proposing a major electrical transmission line from Wakefield through Stoneham to Woburn. The Mass. D.O.T. is proposing traffic upgrades to the North/Main Street intersection. Engineering coordinates the integration of these projects along with the Town's ongoing programs.

Every subdivision plan submitted to the Planning Board is thoroughly reviewed in terms of roadway design, utility design, street light locations, conformity to other various regulations, as well as the overall impact of the development on local neighborhoods. Once a subdivision plan is approved and the developer is ready to initiate construction, Engineering calculates the amount of surety required to ensure the ultimate completion of the subdivision. For each subdivision, several surety adjustment recommendations must be made during the course of construction and prior to final release. Considerable time was expended reviewing plans and performing inspections for Nazareth Academy Subdivision, Doherty Lane Extension (off Summerhill Street), Coventry Estates (off High Street), and Smitty's Way.

Engineering is responsible for detailed inspections of all ongoing roadway and utility work performed in the various subdivisions and construction sites. Engineering conducts a final inspection of each subdivision and develops a punch list for the developer to complete prior to the final surety release. The current projects under construction are as follows:

- 1. Wincrest (former Nazareth Academy)
- 2. Coventry Lane (Off High Street)
- 3. Doherty's Lane
- 4. Smitty's Way
- 5. Schiappa Circle\*

\*Note: The developer failed to complete this project as designed and it was necessary for the engineering department to use monies that were set aside from the sale of one of the lots in the sub-division to complete the project.

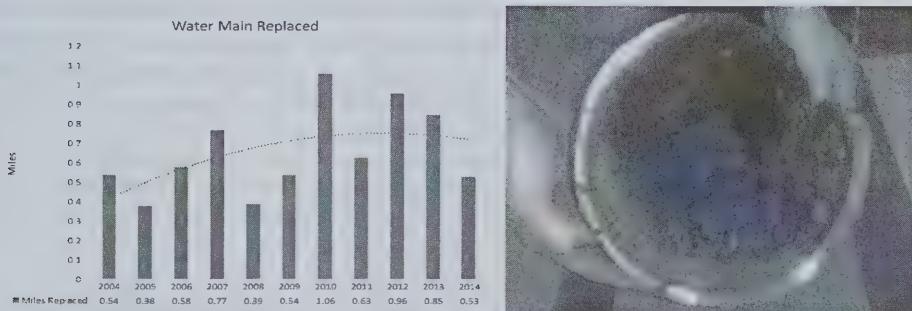
The Town's engineers are continuously called upon to assist in the development and review of plans for several specialized projects undertaken by the Town. Engineering assists in administering the contracts developed from various consulting engineering firms. Among the consulting firms are:

1. Sigma Water Safety, Inc. (Cross Connection Control)
2. Arcadis Inc. - Sewer System Evaluation and Improvements, Capacity Management Operation and Maintenance Program Assessment (CMOM) as ordered by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), Illicit Discharge, Detection and Elimination (IDDE) Plan as ordered by the EPA.
3. Tremco Roofing (Roof Evaluations)
4. Water & Waste Pipe Testing (water leak detection survey)
5. Fay, Spofford and Thorndike, Inc. (National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit), Greenway (bike path) drainage improvements, sewer pump station rehabilitation, Park and Marble Street traffic signal design/replacement and water system hydraulic model and overall water system evaluation.

### **Water Main Construction**

*Construction by a Town Contractor during 2015*

The Town did not appropriate any funds for water construction at the annual Town meeting. We were informed that our largest water customer would be going out of business this year. Kraft Foods (located in Woburn) uses 1/3 of the Town's total water consumption (nearly 1 million gallons per day). Due to the way the Town is billed by the M.W.R.A. it was necessary to make a substantial increase in the Town's water rate to offset this lost in revenue. Fortunately, due to the financial stability of the Town's water and sewer enterprise funds, this increase was offset by a reduction in the sewer rate.



*The picture above shows an unlined water main that was replaced in 2011. Older water pipes, particularly those constructed of unlined cast iron, need to be replaced or cleaned and lined to prevent tuberculation (rust build-up) and potential bacteria growth (Source: MWRA website). This replacement work is essential to provide clean drinking water for the Town and adequate fire protection.*

The Cross Connection Control program was initiated in 1992 in order to comply with the applicable provisions of Public Law 93-523, the Safe Drinking Water Act of 1974; and Massachusetts Regulation 310 CMR, Section 22.22, Protection of Sources of Water. This program essentially protects chemical, biological and other contaminants from entering the Town's water supply. Backflow devices are installed on potentially harmful water lines to prevent contaminants from backing into the Town's water supply during pressure drops. The regulations call for normal buildings to be checked (surveyed) on a 10 year basis for additional plumbing changes that could pose a health hazard and also to manually test the backflow devices that are already in place on a bi-annual basis. Sigma Water Safety, Inc. is providing ongoing building surveying, resurveying, device testing and computer services for the Town. In order to provide this service to a drinking water supply the companies personnel must be properly trained and pass an examination approved by the Department of Environmental Protection(Mass-DEP). Throughout the year various paperwork is required to be completed as part of this program and two (2) large annual reports are completed by Town engineers and promptly submitted to Mass-DEP.

Total Backflow Devices Tested – 699  
Building Resurveys – 7

### **Service Installations by Private Contractors**

Water services - 15  
Sewer services - 15

## SANITARY SEWER SYSTEM

The Department of Public Works proactively implements an annual infiltration and inflow (I/I) removal program in conjunction with the MWRA Local Financial Assistance I/I Removal Program. For the past 15 years, the Town has systematically inspected and assessed its sanitary sewer system and, to date, seven (7) sewer system rehabilitation construction contracts have been completed, including two "location-specific" projects completed between 1999 and 2003, and five (5) Town-wide projects completed in the years since. The most recent construction contract, Phase 5 Sanitary Sewer Rehabilitation, was completed in 2015. As a result of this on-going program, Stoneham consistently shows a downward trend in I/I flows, as measured and estimated by the MWRA. This has helped the Town keep in check the annually rising costs of sewage collection, transport and treatment.

In 2015, the Department of Public Works continued its annual efforts to rehabilitate the sanitary sewer system to remove extraneous flows from the system, also known as infiltration and inflow, which can lead to back-ups and overflows and other problems in the system. Sewer system rehabilitation work was also completed to repair and replace aging pipes and manholes which had deteriorated and were no longer functioning properly. Work completed in 2015 was focused on Sewer Study areas 6 and 7, the northwest and east sides of Town. Work completed during the Phase 5 Sanitary Sewer Rehabilitation contract included construction within or in the vicinity of North Street, Albion Avenue, High Street, Lindenwood Road/Cottage Street, Barbara Street, Tamarock Terrace, Main Street, Phillips Road and Citation Avenue. In all, approximately 20,000 linear feet of sanitary sewer and over 100 manholes were repaired.

## STORM WATER DRAINAGE SYSTEM

The Town has continued to make progress on stormwater management and MS4 permit compliance, including the Illicit Discharge Detection and Elimination (IDDE) program. In accordance with the Town's Final IDDE Plan, the following work was completed in 2015:

- Closed circuit television inspection (CCTV) investigation of 5,327 LF of sanitary sewer in the Lindenwood Road area and Redstone Shopping Plaza.
- 1,000 linear feet of cured-in-place pipe liner installed in the sanitary sewer on Lindenwood Road and Cottage Street to remove an illicit discharge, eliminating an indirect connection from the sanitary sewer seeping into the underdrain.
- Installation of mechanical plugs in underdrain holes of six (6) sanitary sewer manholes in the Lindenwood Road Area
- Rebuild of a manhole bench and invert in the Lindenwood Road Area near the location of underdrains
- Four (4) follow-up dry weather samples to determine elimination of illicit discharges
- Separation of a combined, sanitary/storm drain manhole on Pleasant Street
- Updates to the Town's existing GIS using data collected during field investigations.

## DRAINAGE CONSTRUCTION

*Work by Town Forces during 2015*

The MacArthur Road drainage system improvement project which, during 2014, was completed up to Hillside Avenue by Joseph Cardillo & Son, was continued in 2015 by town forces. Utilizing the Department's new Caterpillar Backhoe, town forces installed roughly 290 feet of 18 inch ADS pipe southerly along MacArthur Road, and westerly up Broadway. In addition, 2 drain manholes and 4 catch basins were installed at or near the MacArthur Road/Broadway intersection. Similar to last year, utilities such as water, gas and sewer had to be navigated during installation of drain pipe. In the picture below DPW personnel take measurements and review grades prior to installing pipe beneath a gas main to ensure proper pitch, separation and clearance.



#### **CATCH BASIN CLEANING/ STREET SWEEPING**

*By a Town Contractor & Town Forces during 2015*

Approximately 2,030 catch basins and drain manholes were cleaned by Truax Corporation, Lakeville, Massachusetts in 2015. The key to a trouble-free drainage system is the timely sweeping of all streets in early spring, followed immediately by the cleaning of all catch basins to remove winter sand and other debris. Due to fiscal constraints, sweeping services were provided by Town forces only, thus extending the overall time to complete the project. Experience has shown that it is much easier to remove foreign materials from street surfaces and catch basins than it is from the storm drainage piping. A well-timed program minimizes flooding in streets and on private property by keeping the storm drainage system free of sand and debris.

#### **PARKS CONSTRUCTION**

*Work by Town Forces during 2015*

Unfortunately no new park construction took place in 2015. Park operations consisted of maintenance and repair of existing facilities and fields including but not limited to graffiti removal, replacement of damaged equipment, fence repairs, baseball diamond repairs and turf management.

The Department of Public Works continues to support the volunteer group which bought and installed new equipment with Public Works personnel, at A. P. Rounds Park. Work was completed on the park in 2014 and it is now one of the most heavily used parks in town.

#### **Highway**

*Paving by a Town Contractor during 2015*

Roadway paving and cold planing was provided by D&R Paving of Melrose, Massachusetts, following a public bid. The following streets or portions thereof were excavated by cold planer and resurfaced during 2015:

2015 Chapter 90 Paving Program		
Avalon Road:	(Windsor Road to Fieldstone Drive)	1,060'
Cherry Ave:	(East Street to Fellsmere Avenue)	950'
Forest Street:	(Oak Street to Randolph Road)	1,650'
Franklin Street:	(Perkins Street to Rustic Road)	1,050'
Fellsmere Avenue:	(Cherry Avenue to Lotus Avenue)	300'
Gigante Drive:	(Atwood Avenue to Dead End)	510'
Gracewood Road:	(Elm Street to Dead End)	760'
Joan Avenue:	(Country Club Road to Butler Ave)	500'
Lotus Avenue:	(Spring Street to Wakefield Town Line)	390'
Lucy Street:	(Pond Street to Campbell Road)	1,000'
Robin Hood Road:	(Forest Street to Dead End)	780'
Seward Road:	(Sherman Road to Stanton Road)	500'
Sherman Road:	(Seward Road to MacArthur Road)	275'
Spring Street:	(East Street to Wakefield Town Line)	1,900'
Stanton Road:	(Seward Road to MacArthur Road)	300'
Sunrise Avenue:	(Magnolia Terrace to William Street)	1,150'
Westwood Road:	(#73 Westwood to Governor Road)	820'
Winthrop Street:	(Congress Street to Park Street)	500'

14,395'

Subtotal:

2015 Winter Recovery Assistance Program "WRAP"		
Pamela Circle:	(Pebble Place to Dead End)	260'
Rivers Lane:	(Tamarock Terrace to Pebble Place)	670'
Valley Road:	(#23 Valley Road to Dead End)	525'

Subtotal: 1,455'

OVERALL TOTAL:

15,850 feet  
(3.00 miles)

The Town paved three (3) miles of roadway this year (Approximately 25 year replacement cycle. Paving programs of this magnitude follow more closely to industry designs where roadways are designed for a 20 year life cycle.

**Sidewalk Upgrading**  
By a Town Contractor & Town Forces during 2015

Funding was inadequate for addressing the extensive list of sidewalk issues that have been accumulating for over twenty (20) years. As a result, sidewalk replacement/resurfacing was limited. Sidewalk improvements were conducted by Town forces as well as contractors. Cement concrete sidewalks and granite curbing were installed by LaRovere of Everett, Massachusetts, in 2015.

Bituminous (hot top) concrete sidewalk work was performed on the following streets by Town forces.

1. Avalon Road – (Windsor Road to Fieldstone Drive) - resurfacing, repairs and ADA ramp improvements.
2. Albion Avenue – Section near Elm Street on west side.

Cement concrete sidewalks and or granite curbing were installed on the following streets:

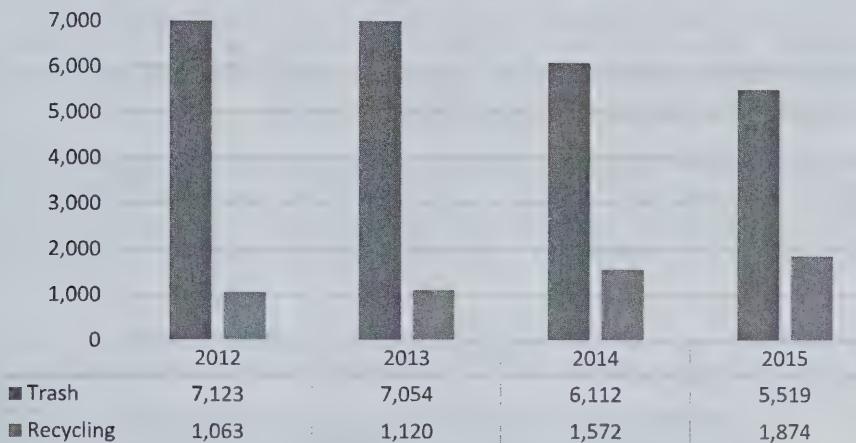
1. William Street (Elm Street to Main Street) – north side repair
2. Elm Street (William Street to Main Street) – south side granite curbing and cement concrete sidewalks
3. Washington Street (Calthea Street to Pomeworth Street) – west side granite curbing
4. Felspa Road – replaced damaged blocks
5. Waverly Street – replaced damaged blocks

6. DeWitt Road – shaved cement concrete raised block hazards, work performed by Precision Safe Sidewalks.

### Refuse and Recycling

Major changes took place in the Town's trash/recycling policy in 2014. Recycling became weekly and mandatory and trash was limited to 90 gallons per unit, per week. One bulk item under 50 pounds is allowed per week and other items must be paid for. Containers for cardboard and rigid plastics are located at the Stevens' Street Yard. These changes have amounted to a substantial monetary saving through a reduction in trash collection and increase in recycling.

Calendar Year - Trash & Recycling (Tons)



Yearly trash tonnage has decreased to 78.2% of its 2013 levels while recycling has increased to 167.3%.

Calendar Year - Recycling %



As a result of the coordinated efforts of the Town's waste disposal contractor, Hiltz Waste Disposal, and enforcement efforts by the Department of Public Works the Town has obtained a recycling percentage of 25.4 which is nearly double the rate before single stream and mandatory recycling policy changes went into effect.

The Department is directly involved in the Town's recycling program. The drop-off leaf program at the Stevens Street Recycling Center was very active and successful in addressing compliance with current trash regulations which ban yard waste from the general refuse flow. In order to better serve the residents, seven curbside leaf pickups were scheduled during the spring and fall, and a Christmas tree pick-up in early January. After the improvements to the recycling center in 2010 and 2011 all yard waste, brush and tree debris are temporarily stockpiled in concrete-block storage areas as required by the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection. Under formal contract with the Town, ProBark removed yard waste from the site.

This department works with Mayer Tree for the removal of tree and brush waste. North Coastal Environmental removes the street sweepings and catch basin cleanings. This work is performed in accordance with a consent order from D.E.P.

Other services provided by the Town include single-stream, comingled curbside recycling, a book drop off at the Stevens Street Recycling Center, and mercury drop-off at the DPW office building and Board of Health.

#### **Snow Fighting / Major Storms**

The total snowfall for the 2014-2015 winter season was 106". Twenty-four (24) storms were either plowed, sanded, salted or a combination there of. The largest snowfall event was 24.5 inches on January 27<sup>th</sup>. In a one month period from January 27<sup>th</sup> to February 27<sup>th</sup> the Town received 82.70 inches of snowfall. Substantial snowfalls occurred on Feb 2<sup>nd</sup> (16"), Feb 7<sup>th</sup> (17") and Feb 14<sup>th</sup> (15").

In response to the record breaking season Public Work's utilized the 1976 Snowmaster machine to clear snow from roads whose width was reduced by encroaching snowbanks. Snow was hauled from streets and schools to either the Stevens Street Recycling Center or the High School where it was stockpiled until it would melt during the spring.

The snow and ice budget has been level funded for more than 10 years. The \$190,000 appropriated for yearly snow and ice expenditures was barely 25% of the actual expense incurred however the Town has approximately \$82,000 in purchased sand and road salt available for the 2015-2016 winter season reducing the actual cost fighting storms to roughly \$682,000. In comparison the city of Melrose spent close to \$486,000, or 71% of Stoneham's entire snow and ice expenses fighting storms, on the purchase of road salt alone.

Due to the severity of the storm on January 27<sup>th</sup> the Town applied for FEMA reimbursement of approximately \$128,477; a reimbursement of 75% of the actual expenses (\$171,302.10). The Town expects a check to be issued sometime in 2016.



Duncklee Avenue following snow removal operations by the 1976 Snowmaster.



Snow is stockpiled at the Stevens Street Recycling Center to clear streets and schools.

## **Traffic Line Painting and Signal Maintenance**

*By a Town Contractor during 2015*

1. Hi-Way Safety Systems, Inc, of Rockland, Massachusetts, provided traffic line, word, and symbol painting.
2. Coviello Electric Inc., of Woburn, Massachusetts, provided traffic signal and streetlight maintenance.
3. Dagle Electrical Construction Corporation of Woburn, Massachusetts, provided traffic signal and streetlight maintenance starting in July.

## **Cemetery**

The Department is responsible for the Lindenwood Cemetery, which includes the operation and maintenance of roughly 34 acres of land. The cemetery foreman is responsible for prioritizing maintenance and managing laborers in the daily operations. Major maintenance and long-term projects are coordinated by the engineers.

Number of lots sold – January through December 31, 2015 – 42

Number of interments – January through December 31, 2015 – 75

Once again, the Department took advantage of the State-offered inmate work/release program. Several weeks of work were performed by this group, including grass mowing, leaf raking and general cleanup of the cemetery. This program has proven to be a valuable supplement to the depleted DPW forces. However, due to increasing demand by other communities, obtaining this help is becoming more difficult each year.

## **Tree Division**

The Town has been removing more trees than it is planting per year. The Town must take the steps to start an annual planting program to maintain its tree lined streets.

Trees Planted	2
Trees Removed	59
Stumps Ground	50
Trees Pruned	178



The Department of Public Works responds to a fast moving early morning severe storm event in August that downed dozens of public and private trees and large limbs throughout town.

## **Truck Maintenance**

The DPW truck maintenance department, under direction of the Director of Public Works, conducts and oversees all maintenance of Town-owned vehicles including the Police Department vehicles and Senior Center van. This also includes equipment associated with field maintenance, snow plowing, paving, sign installation as well as other miscellaneous equipment.

The Public Works Department at the request of the Capital Planning Committee, detailed the capital equipment replacement program in a summary format. The program is designed to replace smaller vehicles on a 10 year cycle and larger or specialized vehicles on a 20 year cycle.

In 2015 the DPW purchased the following equipment as a result of funding authorizations from 2014 & 2015 Town Meetings:

- 2 large Freightliner dump trucks
- 1 Caterpillar backhoe
- 1 small dump truck
- 1 hot top roller

In 2013 the Department of Environmental Protection created new regulations regarding fuel pumping stations. As a consequence, the underground tanks were removed at the Unicorn Golf Course. The Town Engineers managed the removal of the tanks and also re-paved the area of the parking lot affected by the tank removal. The DPW became responsible for fueling all Unicorn vehicles.

#### Miscellaneous Issues:

Department action may have required 15 minutes work by one man, or several days work by a crew of three or four men with trucks and an excavator. The issues shown below may have been called in by a resident or noticed by Town officials.

#### Sewer Related Issues (Approximate Values)

1.	Main sewer plugs	15
2.	Sewer service plugs	50
3.	Sewer service excavation/repair	6

#### Water Related Issues (Approximate Values)

1.	Water main break	4
2.	Water service break/repair (Town portion)	6
3.	Meter repairs/replacements	400
4.	Radio Meter Readers installed	50
5.	Water meter readings	26,000
6.	Water meter final readings	350
7.	Water turn on/off	50
8.	Rusty water calls	0
9.	Hydrant repairs/replacement	14

#### Drain Related Issues (Approximate Values)

1.	Drain repairs/replacements (linear feet)	140
2.	Catch Basin and Drain Manhole Repairs	25

#### Highway Related Issues (Approximate Values)

1.	Sign installations/replacements/repairs	100
2.	Streetlights repaired	265
3.	Potholes filled	Numerous

The Federal Highway Administration (FHA)/ Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD) requirement for new larger style street signs were completed in 2013 as required. The Town has now completed the program and is in compliance with the new regulations.

#### Miscellaneous Work

- 1) Winterize hydrants.
- 2) Sewer segment maintenance program, continuous critical area preventive maintenance program (biweekly).
- 3) Christmas light installation on the Main Street town shade trees.
- 4) Repair and fill sand barrels.

- 5) Landscaping of certain Town properties.
- 6) Water main flushing program.
- 7) Clean sump chambers at pumping stations.
- 8) Clearing critical catch basin grates before large storm events.
- 9) Water service, curb stop repairs and/or replacement.
- 10) Oversee the maintenance and repair of all public buildings other than the schools.
- 11) Dead animal pick-ups as reported.
- 12) Frozen water service calls as reported.
- 13) Dig-Safe mark-outs.
- 14) See-click-fox repairs/complaint response.

Submitted by Robert Grover, Director of Public Works

### **School Building Committee Stoneham Central Middle School**

Following the December 6, 2014 dedication ceremony in the new Central Middle School cafeteria, efforts during 2015 focused on the completion of building punch-list and site issues. The parking lots and driveways were opened to all staff and visitors in June, achieving the desired goal of relieving congested side streets surrounding the school. We then began the process of converting the old skate-board park, which had served as temporary parking for two years, into two new basketball courts for the community.

The Building Committee wishes to thank the residents and Town officials for their patience and support over the past five years. We are proud of the new facility and resources that we have been able to provide for the students of Stoneham. We are also pleased that we have been able to complete our task with about a \$140,000 surplus from our original authorization, funds which we hope the Town will begin to invest in the needed renovation of the Stoneham High School.

Jeanne Craigie, Chair  
 Lisa Gallagher, Vice Chair  
 Thomas Boussy  
 David Bois  
 Ben Caggiano  
 Marie Christie  
 William Previdi  
 R. Paul Rotondi  
 Mark Ventola  
 Christopher Banos, Principal, ex officio  
 Michelle Cresta, Director of School Finance, ex officio  
 Rodger Windt, Director of Facilities, ex officio  
 Dr. Les Olson, Superintendent of Schools, ex officio  
 David Ragucci, Town Administrator, ex officio

Submitted by Dr. Les Olson, Superintendent of Schools

### **School Committee & Superintendent of Schools**

**STONEHAM SCHOOL COMMITTEE AND  
SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS**  
**July 1, 2014 – June 30, 2015**

School Committee members for the year were Jeanne Craigie, Chair, Shawn McCarthy, Vice-Chair, Marie Christie, Shelly MacNeill and David Maurer. At the annual reorganization meeting in May, Shelly MacNeill was elected chair and David Maurer elected Vice-Chair. The Student Representative to the School Committee was Kathryn Piasecky; and Reiko Laski was recognized as the recipient of the Massachusetts Association of School Superintendents outstanding senior award.

The operating budget for the fiscal year was \$25,022,305 and capital funds were also appropriated to repair the school roofs, phone and HVAC control systems, and the Colonial Park driveway.

The school year began with the Back-to-School breakfast and opening meeting for school staff in the new Central Middle School on September 2. That celebration was followed by a formal dedication by the School Building Committee, School Committee and Town and state officials on December 6, 2014. Site work was completed in the spring, and the parking lot and driveway formally opened on June 22, 2015. As part of the opening of the new school and the redistricting of the elementary schools and grades, the year began with full-day kindergarten for all students, the restoration of full-year elementary fine arts programs, the expansion of STEM and instructional technology courses at all schools, and the movement of our Title I programs from the elementary to the Central Middle School.

Other significant activities during the year included the following:

- Updating of the district's organizational chart;
- Appointment of a subcommittee to begin revising the district's mission statement and strategic plan;
- Bi-Board meetings were held with the Selectmen on September 11, January 20 and May 12;
- Notice from the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education that the High and Middle Schools maintained their Level 1 accountability rankings;
- Celebrated the High School's recognition as one of America's Top High Schools by Newsweek.com;
- Filed a third application with the Massachusetts School Building Authority for a capital repair project for Stoneham High School;
- Authorized a study for a turf field renovation for the High School;
- Approved a revision to the SEEM Collaborative articles of agreement in compliance with new state regulations;
- Authorized a survey of the Old Central School property to assess claims of encroachment by an abutter;
- Authorized the summer rental of the Colonial Park School by Stoneham Theatre;
- Hired Maura Donoghue as the new principal of Robin Hood School upon the retirement of Alice Reilly following 30 years of outstanding service to the schools and students;
- Received and discussed an evaluation of the preschool programs conducted by Walker Partnerships;
- Received and discussed the Mid Cycle Annual Review conducted by the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education;
- Accepted a \$13,000 grant from SBCEF/MELD/NCECP for the after school music program;
- Received notice that the Central Middle School would participate in the state Youth Risk survey and the High School would participate in the PISA exams;
- Approved a new elementary mathematics program that is coordinated with the state curriculum frameworks.

Three distinctive recognition services were held during the year. First, the Committee celebrated the following employees who completed at least twenty-five years of service with the Stoneham Public Schools:

Kathleen Corindia, High School Mathematics Teacher  
Dean Serino, High School Social Studies Teacher  
Krista Stevens, English Language Arts Program Supervisor

Second, the Committee recognized the following staff members who retired during the 2014-15 year:

Alice Reilly, Robin Hood Principal  
Linda Baker, South School Teacher  
Michele Cahill, Elementary Physical Education Teacher  
Kathleen Corindia, High School Mathematics Teacher  
Christine Olson, Robin Hood Teacher  
Gail Page, High School Special Education Teacher  
Diane Pierce, High School Art Teacher  
Ruby Saltmarsh, Robin Hood Teacher  
Glenn Shephard, Central Middle School Teacher  
William Taylor, Central Middle School Teacher  
Mary Calarese, Central Middle School Paraprofessional  
Paul Kirkland, High School Custodian  
Marjorie Correnti, High School Cafeteria  
Margaret Peters, Central Middle School Cafeteria

Third, the School Committee awarded Crystal Apples to the following supporters of the schools:

Jason Eppskrier, High School Teacher  
David Ragucci, Town Administrator, Town of Stoneham  
Alice Reilly, Robin Hood School Principal  
Joseph Rolli, Fire Chief, Town of Stoneham  
Krista Stevens, English Language Arts Program Supervisor

### **Central Office**

The Business Office is responsible for processing payroll and vendor invoices for School Department expenditures. The Business Office also manages grants, revolving accounts, the School Department budget, CORI and fingerprinting information and oversees the Food Service Program. The food service program provides lunch throughout the district to approximately 2500 students and staff. A full service cafeteria is operated at the High School and Middle School and partial service cafeterias are utilized at the Colonial Park School, Robin Hood School and South School.

### **Colonial Park School**

September 2014 brought significant change to the Colonial Park School community. Due to the opening of a new middle school and the closing of an elementary school, Colonial Park welcomed new staff members, students and families. A number of activities and events occurred at the start of the school year to allow staff, students and families to get to know each other and establish a common vision for Colonial Park School. New communication channels were established as part of this transition including weekly emails from the principal and a weekly update from the PTO.

Despite the many changes, Colonial Park School had a successful year in improving curriculum and instruction. Writer's Workshop was implemented in kindergarten through grade 4. Professional development for teachers was provided to support the implementation of units focused on the following genres: narrative writing; informational writing; and opinion writing. Additionally, grade levels created a district-wide rubric for narrative writing to use for scoring writing prompts.

Building on work from previous years, a reading assessment, Fountas and Pinnell Benchmark Assessment System, was administered in the fall and again in the spring for all students. Students who did not meet benchmark in the fall were reassessed mid-year. After each administration, teachers met with the principal, reading teacher, and SPED support staff to review and analyze results. In conjunction with Fountas and Pinnell Benchmark Assessment results, teachers in grades 1 and 2 utilized running records to track student progress. Teachers of kindergarten – grade 2 met regularly with the principal and reading teacher to review informal assessments to determine students needing reading interventions with the reading teacher.

Mathematics instruction was another area of primary focus in the 2014/2015 school year. Seven classroom teachers piloted two different math programs this year. The teachers attended monthly professional development and pilot meetings led by Patty Messina, Director of Curriculum. Data about program alignment to standards was gathered at each meeting. A teacher survey and other feedback was utilized to select a program. Regardless of participation in a pilot, professional development was provided to all teachers in the area of improving differentiation through critical thinking in math.

This year technology continued to be an area with focused improvement. New to the district this year was hiring a technology teacher to teach all computer classes. With this new staffing students in kindergarten – grade 4 received a weekly technology lesson in the computer lab. Lesson objectives were based on the ISTE standards (International Society for Technology in Education).

The PTO continued to have a positive impact at Colonial Park School through providing a variety of field trips and in-school enrichments. Additionally, a community outreach committee was formed to focus on coordinating events to support the community and charitable organizations. The committee met three times to review and plan events and sponsored many events to raise funds and awareness of important causes.

### **Robin Hood School**

Robin Hood School opened the 2014-15 school year with 345 students in Preschool through Grade 4, including 62 students in our new preschool programs. We also welcomed our new students and their families who had been reassigned to Robin Hood as part of the district-wide redistricting program. The final new component of this change was the opening of a full-day kindergarten program for all students.

Robin Hood staff and parents worked all year to offer students optimum success and growth in their educational setting. Our school community is made up of a group of very dedicated and hard-working people. Our regular educational staff, special education staff, paraprofessionals, cafeteria workers, custodians, and the front office personnel work together to provide a safe, supportive learning environment for all of our students.

Professional development continued to be a priority of the staff at Robin Hood School. In addition to working towards their own recertification, staff participated in numerous courses, workshops, and conferences throughout the year, Robin Hood teachers worked diligently preparing our students for statewide assessments. The staff is to be commended for holding high standards for all students and helping each and every student achieve. A majority of professional development during the past school year has been on our literacy and mathematics programs.

Robin Hood School Council continued to work tirelessly on behalf of our school, our students, and our district. Meetings were held to implement and develop our School Improvement Plan. An Information Forum for parents was conducted on MCAS results and how to help your child succeed.

Parental involvement continued to be strong at Robin Hood. Parents were regularly invited to participate in their child's education in several ways. All classes welcomed parents in during the year for special projects and at monthly Learning Centers. Parents were invited in for writing conferences, classroom performances, author's breakfasts, and science fairs. In addition, parent volunteers were utilized and appreciated in both our library and our computer lab.

Our Parent Teacher Organization (PTO) funded several field trips and sponsored several enrichment programs at the school. Enrichment activities this year included Eyes on Owls, the Discovery Museum's Bubbles Program, the Wenham Museum Native American Program, Electrical Gadgets, The Magic of Maps, Johnny the K, author Ryan T. Higgins, and Illstyle & Peace Productions of Become Your Dreams (funded with the support of the SBCEF).

Once again, community and global outreach actions were incorporated into the student's academics. Working with the Stoneham Food Bank, Salvation Army and HOT, projects such as a school wide food drive, the giving tree, and sending care pages and letters to the troops which allowed the students additional awareness to their global community.

Robin Hood parents, staff, and students have contributed significantly toward a warm, supporting, caring, environment in which we teach, learn and live.

### South School

With the opening of the new Central Middle School and the redistricting of elementary students, South School opened the 2014 – 2015 school year with 336 students in Kindergarten – Grade 4. There were 18 classrooms and over 40 staff members. In addition all students are now able to enjoy the fine arts – Art and Music for the entire school year.

The South School staff focused on student growth in academics as well as the social/emotional needs of students. These needs were identified as goals in the School Improvement Plan (SIP). The key academic areas were ELA and Math instruction.

In the ELA area teachers received ongoing professional development to support students in the 3 genres of writing: narrative, information and opinion. Writers Workshop was implemented in all classrooms during the school year. Teachers provided small group and individual support as part of the workshop model. Grade levels across the district created a rubric for narrative writing that was utilized to assess student learning. Staff continued to work on the information and opinion rubrics and all the curriculum information and assessments are now available to all staff in Atlas. Teachers continued to use the Readers Workshop model to support students in reading. Various assessments were used to form small groups and provide students with the tiered instruction they needed to grow. Teachers in grades K – 2, reading teacher and principal met regularly to review the results and implement reading intervention when necessary.

Teachers were also provided professional development with the focus of improving differentiation through critical thinking in math. In addition sixteen classroom teachers as well as a resource room teacher piloted math programs. They were part of a larger district team who worked together with the curriculum director to select a new math program, EnVisions 2.0, which will be implemented in the 2015 – 2016 school year.

Technology was expanded and additional projectors and smart technology were installed at South. A technology teacher was hired and all students in K – grade 4 receive weekly technology lesson in the computer lab. These lessons are based on the ISTE standards (International Society for Technology in Education).

School personnel continued to work collaboratively with the South School PTO to support students and their families. As part of the redistricting efforts school wide tours and Kindergarten Meet and Greets were held prior to the school's opening in September. Back to school night was held for parents and ongoing school and home communication continued throughout the school year. The PTO continued to work together to offer students enrichment programs to supplement the curriculum. Both new and old traditions were formed and continued throughout the school year. Some of the community outreach programs included Coats for Kids, Toys for Local Children, Food Drives at the holidays as well as fund raising events including Cradle to Crayons, Juvenile Research Foundation Kids Walk, Relay Recess for Life and Crazy Hat Day.

In summary, the South School staff worked hard to implement the goals of the 2014 - 2015 School Improvement Plan. Strong progress was made towards all goal areas to the benefit of staff and students

### **Stoneham Central Middle School**

Stoneham Middle School is made up of grades 5, 6, 7 and 8. As of November 2014, the student population of 746 breaks down as follows: 169 students in grade five, 192 students in grade six, 206 students in grade seven and 179 students in grade eight. The schedule at the middle school engages students in more than 900 hours of time-on-learning. Core academic offerings include: English Language Arts, math, science, and social studies. Students participate in physical education, art, music, health, world languages (French, Spanish or Italian), reading/ study skills, math enrichment and instructional technology. Additionally, Stoneham Middle School offers chorus and band to its students during its Activity Block which meets every Day Two of its six day cycle. Students who do not choose to participate in these offerings take part in a directed study or peer tutoring.

In keeping with our mission to provide a safe and drug-free environment, we continue to keep an open line of communication with the police department.

The PTO funded several enrichment programs. The New England Aquarium spent a day with our seventh graders visiting tidal pools on Winter Island in Salem, Massachusetts. Grade five classes enjoyed a presentation by members of the Museum of Science on "States of Matter". Shakespeare Now presented Romeo and Juliette our eighth grade. The sixth grade went on a field trip to the Museum of Science in Boston.

Through the generosity of local businesses and the hard work of our PTO, many initiatives were offered to our students. A three season, intramural sports program that was funded with the support of National Coalition Educational Cultural Programs provided the students an opportunity to participate in a variety of after school activities, including the Chess club, Current Events Club, Junior Great Books, Math Team, Walking Club, Science Club, Track, Project Adventure, and Cross Country. The Drama Program continues to flourish through a grant by Stoneham Business and Community Education Foundation. The students put on an outstanding performance of "Tom Sawyer." The art club and jazz band are two popular after school clubs thanks to the generosity of the SBCEF. In addition, we continue to build strong bonds between faculty and students through our teacher student basketball game and teacher student hockey game. The Hockey game raised over \$2400 dollars to help middle school families who are experiencing hardships.

The school-wide and grade-specific enrichment programs would not be possible without the fundraising and grant writing efforts of the Stoneham Middle School PTO and the support of our Stoneham Middle School families.

The Middle School continues to work toward "going green." Student Advisory Council picks up all classroom recycle bins once a week. In addition, the students ran a food drive collecting and delivering over 80 cases of food to a local food pantry located at the First Congregational Church in Stoneham. A pajama day which students paid five dollars to wear pajamas raised a thousand dollars with the proceeds going to the Community Outreach Committee of the PTO to buy presents for middle school students whose families are enduring financial hardships at the holidays. The students also raised two hundred dollars for the Jimmy Fund.

Grades 5 and 8 took the MCAS Science test. Grades 5 through 8 took the PARCC test in ELA and Math. All Massachusetts schools with sufficient data are classified into one of five accountability and assistance levels, with the highest performing in Level 1 and the lowest performing in Level 5. We are happy to announce that the Central Middle School was once again rated a Level 1 school.

The Middle School strives to provide quality instruction and to create multiple learning opportunities where students of diverse learning styles and abilities can be successful.

## **Stoneham High School**

### **Introduction**

The enrollment at Stoneham High School on October 1, 2014 was 632 in grades 9 -12. This is a student decrease of forty-three from October 1, 2013. The number of seniors decreased by 4, juniors by 5, sophomores by 11 and 23 fewer freshmen enrolled. For the 2014-2015 school year, Stoneham High School welcomed seven new staff members: Patrick Healey, health education teacher; Mrs. Sandra Malzone, school nurse, who came from Central Elementary School; Mr. Jonathan Pohorilak, social studies teacher, who came from the Stoneham Middle School; Leonard Simboski, music teacher at Stoneham High School and Central Middle School; Ms. Stephanie Sousa, music teacher at Stoneham High School and South School; Dr. Richard Smyth, technology education. Mr. William Killilea returned to SHS to teach one class in addition to his classes at South School. Mrs. Nancy Pollizzi was hired as secretary in the guidance office. Mrs. Ellen Willard moved from the position of guidance office secretary to the front office to assist Mrs. Susan Prince after the August 8, 2014 retirement of Mrs. Mary Appleyard, who had worked in the Stoneham Public School for over 35 years. Mr. Ronald DiBona was hired as a paraprofessional in May.

In November, The SHS Community celebrated Homecoming during a week-long schedule of class competitions culminating with a small festival on school property that included a small parade, musical entertainment and class activities.

All members of the Class of 2015 met the MCAS graduation requirements for graduation. SHS staff continue to offer after school MCAS Prep courses in English, mathematics and science to help students pass the MCAS test.

The number of students taking advanced placement courses remains high. The addition of two courses for juniors the previous school year has helped more students to consider trying an advanced placement class and to take advanced classes senior year.

Flexible Instructional Time (FIT) is popular among students and staff. Students are using the help of individual teachers as well as guidance, library and technology support staff during FIT.

Staff began working in November to prepare for a 2017 visit from a team representing the New England Association of Secondary Schools and Colleges. During the spring, staff spent professional development time considering and revising learning standards for all students.

### **Unified Arts Department**

Teachers in the Unified Arts Department participated in various professional development programs linked to food science, technology, business development and child development.

Students in Sports and Entertainment Marketing participated in a few field trips including a visit to Patriot Place in Foxborough, MA. The interest in this elective continues to grow.

The Family Consumer Science spent much of the year reorganizing current full-year course content into semester courses. This will allow students to take electives such as Sport Nutrition and Baking in addition to the traditional Foods and Nutrition class. Culinary Arts continues to be a popular elective and an important part of the school culture. The majority of the produce used in the culinary program during the fall is grown in the garden at the High School.

### **Fine Arts Department**

Several art students participated in the Scholastic Art and Writing Competition.

We welcomed two new music teachers and a new art teacher.

Nancy Dapkiewicz, Middle School Art teacher, attended a 2-week-long annual PEM Teacher Institute at the Peabody-Essex Museum in Salem, MA. The Institute focused on creativity, innovation, and arts integration.

Teachers in the Fine Arts Department participated in professional development programs through the Northeast Consortium for Staff Development and through various trade organizations.

The K-12 Fine Arts Program hosted a district-wide May Arts Festival, which was a tremendous success.

## English

When the district decided to switch from MCAS to PARCC for grades 5-8, middle school English and special ed teachers focused on learning about the test, taking a practice test, and creating practice materials (including student-friendly rubrics) for students during early release days, content alike prep time, and department meetings. Teachers scheduled multiple opportunities for students to familiarize themselves with PARCC writing prompts and questions, incorporated PARCC terms into lessons, and structured ELA assessments to be more rigorous and challenging.

PARCC: % of students who achieved scores of 4 & 5 (met/exceeded expectations):

- ✓ Grade 5 = 77% compared to the state average of 63%
- ✓ Grade 6 = 69% compared to the state average of 60%
- ✓ Grade 7 = 70% compared to the state average of 60%
- ✓ Grade 8 = 81% compared to the state average of 64%

Jillian Goldberg, who had been a student teacher at the high school the previous year, was hired to teach the Study Skills classes in grade 6 after the retirement of Michael Sheedy. Erica Mayer was hired to teach grade 8 English. She started an on-line Literary Magazine and will continue it next year.

At the middle school, Grade 8 students watched an in-school performance of *Romeo and Juliet* (thanks to the generous donation of the PTO).

MCAS 2015 scores for sophomores:

- ✓ 97% of students earned Advanced or Proficient compared to the state average of 91%
- ✓ 85% of students with disabilities earned Advanced or Proficient compared to the state average of 67%

Advanced Placement:

- ✓ AP Language and Composition (Grade 11): 81% of 37 students earned a passing grade of 3 or higher
- ✓ AP Literature and Composition (Grade 12): 77% of 43 students earned a passage grade of 3 or higher

In preparation for the redesigned SAT to be released in spring of 2016, Briana Nims volunteered to become the new SAT point person. She attended an informational conference and led a PD class attended by nine English teachers. In 2015 with 91% of seniors participating, our scores were above the state and national average for critical reading. The writing scores were above the national average and two points below the state average.

The focus this year in classes was meeting the Speaking & Listening strand of the MA State Frameworks specifically using Socratic Circles. At the end of the year, the English department began a vertical grammar chart that will be honed throughout the next three years.

At the high school, freshmen and sophomores participated in the Shakespeare Festival and enjoyed in-school performances of *Macbeth* and *A Midsummer Night's Dream* by Shakespeare Now! The online student newspaper, run by Rebekah Brooks, was published seven times last year. The Phil Riley Poetry Contest as well as outside contests offered many writing opportunities for students. Film Study, a popular elective, returned with a stronger writing component included. Seniors in the Creative Writing class interviewed senior citizens from the Stoneham Senior Center; the interviews were published in the local paper.

## Mathematics

What a year the school year of 2014-2015 was! It was the first year in the new Stoneham Central Middle School, which meant the first year that the fifth grade joined the middle school. We were very fortunate that Mrs. Kerri Allen and Mrs. Deborah Fratus moved to the fifth grade from their elementary school positions. In addition, we hired Miss Kathryn Swanson and Mrs. Jessica Smith as fifth grade mathematics/science teachers. Both had held different positions in Stoneham previously. We worked together planning for the year to

begin, choosing MyMath for our mathematics program. Although we hope it seemed like an effortless beginning for the fifth grade, a lot of work and effort was put forth by these dedicated teachers in planning for these changes.

Although no other permanent mathematics positions were needed for this school year, we did hire permanent substitutes for part of the school year, due to maternity leaves and injuries. In the high school, Mrs. Annemarie Sobutka, Mr. John Healy, and Mr. Stanley Pikul filled in for us for part of the year. In the middle school, Mrs. Ann Leedburg taught grade six for much of the year. As the year drew to a close, we said farewell to two high school mathematics teachers. Mrs. Julie Engel decided to stay home with her son and Mrs. Kathleen Corindia decided it was time to retire. Mrs. Corindia has worked for Stoneham Public Schools for a long time, in both the middle school and the high school teaching mathematics. They will be missed.

PARCC (Partnership for Assessment of Readiness for College and Careers) testing, which is replacing the MCAS testing, began at the middle school this year. It was a lot of work analyzing the requirements of the new test in order to ensure that our students were prepared for the testing. This was the first year that sixth grade students were allowed to use calculators for part of the testing, so calculators were purchased and students were given the opportunity to practice using them throughout the year. Testing took place in both March and May in mathematics, although the number of days of testing will be reduced for the future.

Technology is changing how things are done in Stoneham. An online gradebook called Jupitergrades was purchased by the school district. This made it possible for parents to able to view their child's grades online. In the new middle school, interactive white boards were purchased for every classroom. In addition, laptop carts were made available to all teachers in the middle school. The high school mathematics department also received a cart of ipads for classroom use. High school mathematics teachers have been sharing their expertise in ipad use with all members of the department in after school meetings.

The new Central Middle School is beautiful. Teachers are thrilled and thankful to Stoneham residents for funding it and making it happen. Although the schedule stayed the same at the high school, the middle school schedule met with some changes in order to add time into the schedule for teachers to meet as a team. Unfortunately, math classes are now a little shorter, but our teachers feel that the benefit they have received from the extra time to meet and plan is well worth it.

The high school and middle school math teams worked hard and did well this year. The high school math team had a new coach this year, Mrs. Ashley Urena. It was a rebuilding year for the high school, with mostly new members. Our congratulations go out to the SCMS Math Team, which received an award in May 2015 for placing first in its Division of the Intermediate Mathematics League of Eastern Massachusetts. Also recognized was seventh grader Izac Qian, who placed first amongst all seventh graders in the division. Ms. Michelle Zavez continued to hold the reins as coach of the middle school math team, with an assist from Mr. John Havican. A junior math team was created this year, so that students in grade five could participate. There were five meets, with one held at Stoneham Central Middle School. Other schools involved include Lynnfield Middle School, both of the middle schools in Reading, Austin Prep, Wakefield Middle School, and Melrose Middle School. Team members from SCMS included Joseph Ballestiero, Matthew Chan, Jon Cili, Nate Fotino, Amy Fung, Thomas Fung, Sam Hanna, Tara Harte, Aanya Kumar, Ben Lipman, Nicholas Lombardo, Sophie McNally, Hunter Morgan, Will Morong, Anika Nath, Matthias Noceda, Rachel Qian, Izac Qian, Sofia Talarico, Tanner Varney, and Catilyn Yii. The team also wishes to congratulate its departing eighth grade members, who are Angela DiLeo, Christian Hans, Izzy Killen, Ben Lipman, Alyssa McCarthy, Kylie Quinlan, Czenil Santander, Sydney Shepherd, and Eli Yoder as they move on to high school. We wish to thank the school, parents, and StonehamBank for all the support they continue to provide.

Fourteen students took the Advanced Placement (AP) Calculus AB exam, a number that has not been seen since 2010. Two of our students earned the top score of five, two students earned a four, and seven students earned a three, all of which are passing grades. We have not had eleven students pass AP Calculus AB since 2009. This gave us a mean average of 3.143 and a median score of 3. With passing scores, these students have already completed a semester of a college Calculus course.

MCAS and PARCC test results from spring 2015 have come in. In the high school, 92% of our students earned the desired score of proficient or higher on the MCAS, whereas only 79% of students in the state did so. In comparing this to other years at Stoneham High, we see that this is the best we've ever done. However, our SGP (student growth percentile) decreased to a median score of 43%, while the state SGP remained at 50%. In the middle school, 50% of our fifth grade students scored in the top two levels, while 55% of students across the state did so. In the sixth grade, 54% of our students scored in the top two levels, and the state was the same. In the seventh grade, 50% of our students scored in the top two levels, while 45% of students across the state scored in the top two levels. In the eighth grade, 74% of our students scored in the top two levels, while only 53% of students in the state did that well. While the median SGP results for the state are typically 50%, our fifth grade was 41%, our sixth grade was 54%, our seventh grade was 54%, and our eighth grade was 80%.

At the high school, we are grateful for an MCAS preparatory course that was run after school, funded by the Academic Support Grant, a state grant. We are grateful to the magazine drive, photo reimbursements, and the Academic Support Grant for the

funding of a PARCC preparatory course after school at the middle school. We thank the teachers who put in the extra time to teach these courses. We are especially grateful to the students who put in the extra effort by taking these courses and doing their best on these important exams.

## Science

The Middle School welcomed four new fifth grade Math/Science teachers! These teachers did extensive work over the summer to prepare themselves to teach a brand new fifth grade science curriculum.

Our grades 6-8 science teachers moved into their brand new beautiful science labs! They were anxious to make good use of the new space and the new equipment provided for them. These new labs allow the science teachers to expand their repertoire of in-class activities and lab experiments.

Our eighth grade teachers continued the tradition of taking twelve female students to the W.I.S.E. (Women In Science and Engineering) conference at Salem State University. The girls spend the day participating in workshops run by female scientists and engineers.

The PTO generously donated funds for Galileo to visit the sixth grade science classes as well as to the New England Aquarium for our seventh graders to take a trip to Winter Island in Salem, MA to explore both the sandy coast and the tide pools of the rocky coastlines.

The Middle School also hired two new science teachers. Catherine Palladino took the place of retired 8<sup>th</sup> grade teacher Josephine Thomson and John Crowe was hired to take over the 7<sup>th</sup> grade position for Eric Kolifrath who moved over to become one of our new STEM teachers.

The high school honors biology students had an "in house" field trip dealing with biotechnology. Three of our junior students worked with scientists from the Harvard University Outreach funded by Biogen, to create a lab experiment for the tenth grade students based on Forensic DNA fingerprinting.

Licensing was purchased for our middle and high school teachers to use Jogno with their students in order to prepare for the 8<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> grade science MCAS tests. Because of the number of students who used the program, Jogno ranked Stoneham among the top schools in Massachusetts.

Teachers in the science department are preparing to implement the changes in the MA science standards. The NGSS will begin to be incorporated into our middle and high school science curriculum starting next year. Teachers took time during department meetings and early release days to make changes in their course outlines to reflect the new standards. These outlines will be a work in progress as the new standards are finalized at the state level and implemented in the public schools in the next year.

This year 57% of our fifth graders reached advanced or proficient on the fifth grade MCAS scores.

Our 8<sup>th</sup> grade MCAS scores dipped a little with 56% of our students achieving advanced or proficient.

Our 10<sup>th</sup> grade MCAS scores increased this year with 52% reaching Advanced and 37% at Proficient. That is 89% of our sophomores at advanced or proficient!

AP Physics test underwent some changes this year, so our average results reflected a few growing pains at 2.5. AP Biology had an average score of 3.3.

## Social Studies

During the past year, social studies teachers in grades five through twelve participated in many, varied professional development programs. Specifically, teachers focused on continuing the work of implementing document-based questions (DBQs) at each grade level in both the Middle and the High School. Teachers worked with trainers from the Chicago-based DBQ Project to develop grade level reading and writing instruction for students in grades 5-12. Also, teachers in the Social Studies Department participated for the third year in a consortium hosted by Primary Source, a Watertown-based global education professional development provider. Teachers attended several workshops, a monthly book group, and a summer institute facilitated by prominent local scholars.

Students in social studies classes continued to do well in the National History Day program at the school, state, and national levels. Three hundred and nine students participated in the NHD program at the tenth annual Stoneham High School History Fair. Twenty one High School and 2 Middle School projects moved on to compete at the regional History Day competition in Winchester in March. Eleven High School projects earned spots at the Massachusetts History Day state contest and three projects were chosen as National Finalists. Five students competed at the National Contest in College Park, MD in June. Stoneham High School hosted the Massachusetts History Day State Contest in March, bringing together the state's finest history students and their teachers.

Forty six students took the Advanced Placement United States History course and nearly half scored higher than a three on the corresponding AP United States History Exam. These scores mirror the nationwide dip in scores, likely caused by the recent Advanced Placement United States History exam redesign. AP Psychology continued to be a popular course; thirty students took the course and the accompanying AP exam.

The Social Studies Department's Civic Awareness Campaign helped to place several students in internships with state and local political campaigns, helped students register to vote, participated in Student Government Day and nominated a recipient for Law Day.

#### **Foreign Language**

Seventeen students took the Advanced Placement test in Spanish. One student received a 5, three students received a 4, twelve students received a 3 and one student received a 2. Five students took the Advanced Placement test in French. One student received a 4, three students received a 3, and one student received a 2. Fifteen students took the Advanced Placement test in Italian. One student received a 5, seven students received a 4 and seven students received a 3.

The Foreign Language Club currently has 30 members.

The Foreign Language Department celebrated Foreign Language Week in March with various cultural activities. Many students and parents attended the culture evening which included performances with singing and dancing, food, and games.

Many students attended the trip to Costa Rica.

#### **TECHNOLOGY/INSTRUCTIONAL TECHNOLOGY**

Technology use in the Stoneham Public Schools, like technology use in many homes, industries and corporations around the globe, has become a requirement. As a school district, we need to ensure that teachers and students have access to appropriate technology where and when needed. We need to train our administrators, teachers and staff in the best use of technology for their own productivity, classroom instruction and as a catalyst for learning. We must train our students to be competent, critical, knowledgeable users of technology so that they are prepared to collaborate and compete with peers across the globe. This requires ready access to today's technology in the school environment.

The Stoneham Community made a decision to invest in teaching and learning with technology. By the start of the 2014 school year, five instructional technology teachers and two STEM teachers were hired to help students meet the International Society for Technology in Education (ISTE) National Education Technology Standards for Students (NETS-S). These standards, adapted appropriately based upon grade level, are as follows:

- Creativity and Innovation
- Communication and Collaboration
- Research and Information Fluency
- Critical Thinking, Problem Solving, and Decision Making
- Digital Citizenship

- Technology Operations and Concepts

At the elementary level, students have technology instruction in the 25 unit computer lab once a week. Technology teachers instruct students in skills through a variety of projects. Whenever possible, activities in the lab directly align with the classroom curriculum. It is at the elementary level that our students learn the foundation skills that will support their use of technology throughout their K-12 career.

At the start of the 2014 school year, we opened the technology-rich Stoneham Central Middle School with the following resources:

- All classrooms 5-8 have interactive whiteboards installed.
- Every teacher has a laptop
- Three 25 unit laptop carts available for use throughout the building
- Document cameras distributed in a variety of classrooms.
- Two technology course computer labs
- Two STEM computer labs
- One general use computer lab off the library
- Twenty computers in the library proper

Stoneham Central Middle School students take a variety of technology courses. Computer Applications introduce students to advanced features in commonly used computer tools such as Microsoft Office, Photoshop, Database applications, Web 2.0 tools. Students are also have an introduction to library research. The Media Research class applies these skills in a project based environment. Students create infographics, videos, and other multimedia presentations while learning about Digital Citizenship, copyright, and how to be discerning consumers and creators of web content.

During the 2014-2015 School year, our STEM classes covered the following topics:

- Investigation of Engineering and STEM related careers
- Design and Modeling
- The Science of Technology

Students learned through hands on projects utilizing technologies like AutoDesk Inventor, MakerBot 3D printing, and a variety of learning simulators.

Students at the high school had access to a variety of electives from Basic Computer Applications to Video Game and Web Design. As the skills of our entering 9<sup>th</sup> graders advance, the offerings at the high school will also offer students greater challenge over time.

At the district level, administrators were introduced to Google Apps for Education (GAF-E) in preparation for a district wide roll out during the summer of 2015. All staff and students will have access to Gmail, Google Docs, Google Drive and other Google supported cloud based tools.

Parents and students in grades 5-12 were given access to the grading system through Jupiter Grades. This access supports home-school communication.

Our ticketing system was streamlined to encourage use so that issues are addressed in a timely manner. School Technology Councils meet regularly to discuss technology use at the local level. Communication with the technology department to plan for the future is on-going.

The 2014-2015 was very much an information gathering year for the technology department. We inventoried all technology resources, developed scope and sequence for technology courses, and began planning for a very busy 2015-2016 year.

Technology, as any other utility, is used at every level of the school community from supporting the security systems to preparing for online testing. We continue to grow, to advance, and to support teaching and learning at all levels.

We would not be able to do what we do without the support of our school community, our School Committee and the Stoneham Community. I thank you all.

Respectfully submitted,  
Kathy Martin  
Director of Instructional Technology

### **Physical Education and Athletics**

The Physical Education and Athletic Department conducts a variety of programs including, but not limited to, required Physical Education, Adaptive Physical Education, and an Interscholastic Athletic program. These programs were planned with attention to equal access to program offerings and facilities.

Our seven physical education teachers and one adaptive physical education teacher, grades K-12, follow the physical education curriculum and present the proper physical conditioning for appropriate activities as well as teach skills in a safe and sequential manner.

The current fitness testing program consists of the following:

- Screening test - grades K, 1, & 2
- Youth physical fitness test-grades 4, 5, 7, & 8
- Health-related test - grades 3, 6, 9, 10, 11, &12

Our objective is to combine assessment of our fitness program with practical follow-up on why and how to stay fit for a lifetime. The School Department web page has its foundation set to communicate to students and their parents more information about the testing.

Our athletic program is made up of 25 varsity interscholastic sports, 14 sports for the girls' program and 11 sports for the boys' program. In total, there are 46 high school squads including freshman, junior varsity and varsity. The overall goal of the athletic program at Stoneham High School is to provide equal opportunity for all student-athletes to reach their full potential as members of competitive teams. Each sport and each level of participation has specific goals and objectives which fit into the framework of the athletic program.

During the past 2014-2015 school year, 780 slots were filled by participants in our sports program (fall - winter - spring). In our senior class of 163 students, 90 students played a sport in their senior year (55% of the senior class involved in at least one sport their senior year). 133 students from the class of 2015 participated in at least one sport in their 4 year career at Stoneham High School; at 80% this number is pretty impressive. This was a slight increase in percentage from the previous year.

### **2014 - 2015 Major Accomplishments**

**In the fall**, Girls soccer fought their way to the state tournament where they had a thrilling victory in Round 1 over Hamilton Wenham 1-0. Unfortunately they lost in Round 2 to Swampscott. Our Volleyball team had an incredible regular season and finished 2<sup>nd</sup> in the Middlesex League Freedom division with a 12-9 record. They won their first Round tournament game 3-2 over Marblehead but lost in Round 2 to Weston. The volleyball team was led by league all-stars Olivia Gaughn and Michelle Leong. We had some outstanding individual efforts in Cross Country by Jess Brown who was a league all-star as well as in Swimming by Kaylee O'Connell and McKenzie Day who were also both League All-stars. Our Football team finished the regular season with 3 straight wins. Golf showed that we have some promising young golfers that can really hit the ball, led by league all-star Phil Conway.

**Winter Season:** Both basketball teams fought all year but had a difficult time accumulating wins. The boys finished the season 5-15 as the girls were 3-16. Both teams were very young. Gymnastics had a great season finishing with a 3-4 record and displaying some outstanding individual talent, led by Gianna Lanzillo, Sydnie Epstein, and Kaylie O'Connell. Our boys and girls hockey teams are continuing to work hard as they scrapped to a 5-13-2 overall record for the boys and the girls finished 4-12-4. Boys and girls track had some incredible individual talent and success. The boys were led by League all-stars Jimmy O'Brien, Matt Bergin, and Alex Censullo. The girls were led by what turned out to be one of the best high jumpers in the state, Lauren Olton, as she finished 8<sup>th</sup> in high jump at the all-state meet.

**Spring Season:** Both our boys and girls Lacrosse programs are now competing at the varsity level in the Middlesex League. Both teams are continuing to get better and become more competitive. Our girls finished the season with a 3-13-1 record while our boys finished 5-11. The highlight of the spring season goes to the individual success that some of our boys and girls track athletes had. Boys track was led by League MVP Matt Bergin and all-star Jimmy O'Brien, who were both dominating in multiple events. The girls had quite a few individuals who were showing their dominance in their events: Alexis Brown, Lindsey Duhamel, Sophie Kheboian, Lauren Olton, Giana Romano, and Kelsey Wodjokowski. Our tennis programs continue to grow and have great participation numbers, although their success has not yet been displayed in wins and losses, there are plenty of things to be proud of when watching.

### **Safety - Acknowledgements**

Safety is an important part of our athletic program. The major items listed below are some of the highlights insuring the health and welfare of our student-athletes:

- students were equipped well for personal safety
- our equipment received proper maintenance
- our trainers from Advantage provided excellent medical support to our students
- school maintenance workers gave careful attention to the condition of our fields for practices and games
- A cell phone and walkie-talkie communication system and emergency plan system is in place for the care of athletic injuries and emergencies. Our Athletic trainers are always equipped with a defibrillator as well as there being one in the gym lobby and one in the main entrance lobby.

### **Athletic Department – Acknowledgements**

The maintenance department worked diligently to keep up our athletic facilities both indoor and out. Thanks to Rodger Windt, Kevin Yianacopulos, Tommy Sweet and Charlie Freedman

The youth programs around town all pitch in one way or another to help keep our athletic program afloat. For example, football, baseball, softball, and hockey held future Spartan events at our home games to bring in the support of our community. Most if not all youth programs are working very hard to help keep athletics alive and well in town and most have made donations in one way or another.

Thanks also to Kathy Welch, the Athletic secretary.

### 2014-2015 Athletic team overview

SPORT	SEASO N	ATHLETE S	14-15 RECORD	COACH
Cheerleading	Fall	20	-	Eric Barnaby
Cross Country (B)	Fall	15	1-7	Kevin Norton
Cross Country (G)	Fall	10	1-7	Kristen Pollizotto
Field Hockey	Fall	33	6-12	Jill Adams
Football	Fall	58	5-6	Bob Almeida
Golf	Fall	14	6-9	Tom O'Grady
Soccer (B)	Fall	40	0-18	Jeff Kirkland
Soccer (G)	Fall	50	4-11-3	Sharon Chapman

Swimming	Fall	20	1-7	Jeff Hechenbleikner
Volleyball	Fall	43	12-9	Paul Hardy
Basketball (B)	Winter	34	5-15	Brian Ciara
Basketball (G)	Winter	30	3-16	Sara Mills
Cheerleading	Winter		-	N/A
Gymnastics	Winter	10	3-4	Annemarie McNeil
Ice Hockey (B)	Winter	40	5-13-2	Paul Sacco
Ice Hockey (G)	Winter	22	4-12-4	Sara Swett-Zizzo
Track – Winter (B)	Winter	42	1-4	Kevin Norton
Track – Winter (G)	Winter	39	2-3	Kristen Pollizotto
Baseball	Spring	40	0-20	Kevin Yianacopoulus
Softball	Spring	26	3-17	Tom Johnson
Tennis (B)	Spring	15	1-15	Jim Carino
Tennis (G)	Spring	26	4-12	Sara Swett-Zizzo
Track – Spring (B)	Spring	56	2-3	Kevin Norton
Track – Spring (G)	Spring	53	3-2	Kristen Pollizotto
Lacrosse (B)	Spring	23	5-11	Shawn Kehoe
Lacrosse (G)	Spring	21	3-13-1	Kristen Mogavero
<b>TOTAL PARTICIPATION</b>		<b>780</b>		

## Guidance Department

### Stoneham High Guidance Department Mission Statement

The mission of the Stoneham High Guidance Department is to work with students, faculty and families to promote learning, goal setting and the development of personal, social and civic responsibility in accord with the school and district goals. We believe that all students can be successful learners and should be aided in the development of a realistic future plan through career and college exploration and self-evaluation.

The goal of the Guidance Department is to assist each student in developing the academic, civic and social skills necessary to be healthy, responsible contributors to society. The major functions of the guidance department are educational, personal, college and career counseling, and group testing.

### System-Wide Testing Results

Testing results are detailed on the following pages. SAT, ACT and AP scores for high school students are included.

### Testing and Future Planning

Tenth and Eleventh graders were offered career interest inventories and began the college exploration process through the Naviance program in the spring. All 11<sup>th</sup> graders planning to attend college were encouraged to take the PSAT in October, the test was also open to 10<sup>th</sup> graders. The College Board is currently in the process of making some significant changes to the SAT and the Class of 2017 will be the first class to take the "New SAT." The guidance office worked with Kaplan Test Prep to offer the 10<sup>th</sup> grade a practice "New SAT" in June, in lieu of the "Old PSAT." The College Entrance Examination Board Test is given to interested high school students at Stoneham High four times each year. 91% of the Class of 2015 took an SAT.

### SAT Results

The results of the Scholastic Aptitude Tests of the College Entrance Examination Board taken by Stoneham High School students in the class of 2015 were:

RANGE	CRITICAL READING	MATH	WRITING
700 -- 800	2	6	2
600 - 690	20	21	25
500 - 590	64	63	51
400 - 490	41	44	49
300 - 390	14	8	15
200 - 290	4	3	3

Scholastic Aptitude Test Scores Class of 2015			
SAT	SHS	MASS	USA
CR. R	506	516	495
MATH	517	529	511
WRIT.	504	507	484

## ACT

Compared to the SAT, a relatively small number of SHS students take the ACT. While 145 members of the class of 2015 took an SAT only 49 students took the ACT.

Below are the average scores of SHS students compared to students in Mass and Nationwide. The ACT is scored from 1-36 with 36 being the highest score.

SUBJECT	STONEHAM	STATE	NATIONAL
English	22	24.2	20.4
Math	22.9	24.6	20.8
Reading	22.5	24.6	21.4
Science	21.9	23.8	20.9
Composite	22.5	24.4	21.0

## AP Testing Program

Below are the results of the 2015 AP Testing Program for SHS students.

In 2015, 127 students, including 52 juniors, took one or more AP tests. In all, 224 tests were administered. The 71 seniors who took AP tests represent 45% of the class of 2015. 74% of SHS students scored a 3, 4, or 5 on their AP tests as opposed to 71% statewide and 60.7% globally on the same tests.

SUBJECT	# of students in each score category					TOTAL TESTS	% SCORING 3 – 4 – 5 SHS/Globally
	5	4	3	2	1		
Biology	0	4	4	1	0	9	89/64
Calculus AB	2	2	7	2	1	14	79/57
English Lang/Comp	2	12	16	6	1	37	81/55
English Lit/Comp	4	9	20	9	1	43	77/56
French	0	1	3	1	0	5	80/76
Italian	1	7	7	0	0	15	100/68
Psychology	0	3	9	7	11	30	80/66
Physics B	0	2	0	3	1	6	33/37
Spanish Lang.	1	3	12	1	0	17	94/90
Spanish Lit.	0	0	0	1	0	1	0/73
Studio Art	1	0	0	0	0	1	100/78
U.S. History	3	8	10	14	11	46	46/53
<b>Total in each Category</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>88</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>224</b>	<b>68/64</b>

### Developmental Guidance

The Guidance Department's mission encompasses much more than testing. Counselors present classroom lessons to students in grades 9 – 12 on transition, time management, study skills, goal setting, graduation requirements, understanding their transcripts, understanding GPA and how to calculate their own, scheduling and future planning. Evening programs are held for students and their parents in 8<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> grades. These evening meetings cover transition to the high school, future planning, understanding the PSAT, the college application process and financial aid. The guidance staff, teachers and administrators function as an effective team assisting students in post-secondary planning. The follow-up report of the future plans of the members of the Class of 2015 is shown below:

### Future Plans Class of 2015

FOUR-YEAR COLLEGES	75%
TWO-YEAR COLLEGES	12%
OTHER SCHOOLS	5%
MILITARY SERVICE	1%
EMPLOYED	5%
OTHER PLANS/UNDECIDED	2%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

### Special Education

The Special Education Department is responsible for supporting the education of students with special education needs who live in the town of Stoneham. As part of this effort we: (1) evaluate and assess students suspected of having a disability to determine if they meet eligibility criteria for special education services; (2) develop individualized educational programs (IEPs) for eligible students to provide free and appropriate access to education; (3) provide special education services as indicated in students' IEP's; and (4) periodically reevaluate student progress and determine if students continue to be eligible for services. Special education is provided to students who are determined to have one or more of the following disabilities, and whose disability is significantly impacting their ability to make effective progress in school:

Autism, Developmental Delay, Intellectual Impairment, Sensory Impairment (Hearing, Vision and/or Deaf-Blind), Neurological Impairment, Emotional Impairment, Communication Impairment, Physical Impairment, Health Impairment, or Specific Learning Disability

The Special Education Department adheres to the laws and regulations developed by state (MGL Ch. 71B) and federal (IDEA) laws governing the education of students with disabilities. Under these laws and regulations, schools are mandated to provide services required to assist eligible children between the ages of three and twenty-two in receiving a free, appropriate public education in the least restrictive educational environment. In addition, early screening and evaluation procedures to determine eligibility for services can occur as early as two and one-half years of age.

General education and special education personnel continue to collaborate to meet the needs of all learners through building-based Teacher Assistance Teams. This process, under the direction of building Principals, can lead to accommodations to students' educational programs without the need for a referral to special education. These teams examine concerns regarding student performance and strategies which have been implemented to date, and make suggestions for additional strategies which could be implemented by general education personnel. Special educators can be actively involved in the process consulting with general education staff.

Stoneham Public Schools offers a continuum of special education services and is committed to serving students in the Least Restrictive Environment (LRE). According to this guiding principle, the District is required to maintain students as much as possible in general education settings with supports before other options are considered. Special education personnel often provide specialized instruction to students within the general education classrooms as well as outside of the classroom.

In addition to special education teaching staff, related support service personnel also provide assistance to students. Such services include the areas of speech and language, hearing, vision, behavioral supports, counseling, physical and occupational therapies and adaptive physical education. All Team members work within an interdisciplinary approach to maximize effectiveness in accomplishing identified goals and objectives. Such an approach requires consultation among staff and participation in common planning activities.

Stoneham Public Schools also operates more specialized programs. These programs typically serve children with more intensive needs who often require instruction for a significant portion of their day outside of the general education classroom. Currently we have classrooms to meet the needs of students with cognitive delays, students on the autism spectrum, and students with social/emotional needs, and students with significant language based learning disabilities. Special Education program staff work with general educators to ensure that students have access to the general education curriculum and opportunities for inclusion when appropriate.

The full continuum of special education services is also available to children beginning at 3 years of age. The Stoneham school district engages in proactive child find screening and evaluation activities to identify children who may exhibit an educational disability at an early age. Personnel work closely with early intervention service providers and families to ensure a smooth transition of services at 3 years of age.

Special education law also provides access to public school services to eligible students with disabilities who attend private school at their parents' expense. The Special Education Department contacts doctor's offices and schools in our area. Advertisements are placed in local newspapers and on cable television to ensure that the community is aware of the process for referring a child for a special education evaluation.

Stoneham Public Schools continues to maintain its membership with the SEEM Collaborative. This organization is a partnership among a group of communities to provide cost-effective programs for low incidence student populations who typically present with the most intensive needs. The Collaborative also provides specialized contractual services to support Stoneham with in-district programs, helps coordinate specialized transportation services, and provides ongoing professional development activities.

### Graduating Class of 2015

David D. Agcaoili  
Matthew Edmond Aliberti  
Michael Erharuyi Aliu-Otokiti  
Livia J. Amaral  
oni M. Anderson  
lizabeth Marie Andrade  
lara Frances Antoniou  
abriel A. Araujo  
ikki J. Argyropoulos  
lexander D. Avola  
armjot Badwal  
lexandra L. Beane  
gregory F. Beauclair  
lizabeth C. Bergin  
arah Ann Boussy  
lise M. Briand  
ulie R. Briand  
lexis Rose Mary Bromander  
auren Nicole Buccelli  
nthony M. Cappuccio  
abrielle Marie Carpinella  
iana Elizabeth Carreiro  
arah C. Carucci  
larcia Caroline Chemim  
lake Damion Chute  
anielle Marie Clough  
mily D. Cogan  
larc William Colangeli  
ravis Michael Collier  
ames A. Columbus  
ngela Natalia Cutone  
olleen J. Dale  
amuel Danis  
ailee D. Day  
arah M. DeCroteau  
eric R. DeFabrizio  
icolas P. DeGuglielmo  
yrus Dehmand  
abriella DeLeon  
halia F. DellaPiana  
lizabeth Lenora DeLuca  
hristopher James DePalma  
oseph A. DeSantis  
ina Joanna DiCarlo  
ia Christina DiPhillipo  
lizabeth Clare Donahue  
olleen Michelle Dowling  
nna K. Drago  
shley Marie Driscoll  
elen Rose Driscoll  
oseph Arthur Egito  
efferson R. Elien  
atherine P. Emerson  
ristina Maria Eramo  
occo Federico  
mothy J. Finn Jr.  
lexandra Marie Flammia

### Graduating Class of 2016

Haley Foley  
Nicholas A. Ford  
Olivia Theresa Gaughan  
Michael Anthony Germano  
Katherine Elizabeth Giordano  
Rhianna Michelle Gould  
Patrick Joseph Grady  
Alison Paige Graziano  
Alessia Gianna Guglielmi  
Sandra M. Haddad  
Catherine T. Haley  
Michael John Halpin  
Megan S. Hayman  
Ariana G. Hegarty  
Juliana Leigh Hillis  
Gregory Michael Hoffman  
Stephen Rys Hussar  
Anthony John Imbriano  
Jacob Robert Jackson  
Nicolina Pearl Jackson  
John Edwin Johnson II  
Fredalex Brian Macharia Kagai  
Elisabeth A. Kelley  
Madison Rose Kelly  
Rachel F. Kelly  
Veronica D. Kelly  
Arissa M. Kerrigan  
Radhika Khosla  
Amy Marie Kuleszka  
Nicholas S. LaGambina  
Ryan M. Lanza  
Kiera Elise Larivee  
Reiko M. Laski  
Cameron Allen Lemay  
Michelle A. Leong  
Allison Elizabeth Little  
Melissa Rose Lombardi  
Nina Celeste LoVuolo  
Gabrielle Luisi  
Evan J. Marchant  
Kevin J. Markiewicz  
Brandon James McCarthy  
Erin M. McDermott  
Dina P. Miller  
Kristen Nicole Mini  
Ryan J. Mooney  
Jacob C. Moriarty  
Riley Moriarty  
Mary Patricia Nagawa  
Erin Louise Napier  
Jacquelyn Pauline Nolan  
Harrison D. O'Brien  
James J. O'Brien  
Erin Diane O'Connell  
Kaylie Marie O'Connell  
Justin R. Oliphant  
Jaime Katherine Frances O'Loughlin  
Lauren Elizabeth Olton

### Graduating Class of 2017

Bhumi A. Patel  
Kaitlyn R. Patterson  
Jeremy M. Peloquin  
Marissa E. Pepicelli  
Eden Selynda Perozo  
Kathryn E. Piasecki  
Gillian Elise Piccoli  
Matthew R. Pignone  
Jennifer Jordan Plourde  
Theresa M. Poon  
Alvina Z. Quader  
Nicole M. Raso  
Shane P. Rhuda  
Matthew A. Ricci  
Rachael A. Richmond  
Kara E. Rock  
Adriana Alejandra Rodriguez  
Steven J. Rogers  
Giana A. Romano  
Christina E. Romeo  
Christopher A. Romero  
Natalie M. Scarpa  
Amy M. Schmitt  
Kayla M. Shepherd  
Raymond Stanley Sledge Jr.  
Toni Rose Soto  
Matthew J. Sowyrda  
Trey D. Spadocia  
Jonathan W. Sparco  
Jessica Marie Spinale  
Cassandra M. Susi  
John J. Taylor  
Maranda Lyn Taylor  
Nicole Elizabeth Thistle  
William J. Tkaczuk  
Nickolas R. Toussaint  
Michael T. Tringale  
Matthew A. Turner  
Adam James Waite  
Emily Rose Woodworth  
Maxwell A. Ye  
Julia Rose Yewcic  
Thomas V. Yewcic  
Karen Yip  
Michael J. Young  
Daniel B. Zhang

### **Stoneham Substance Abuse Coalition (SSAC)**

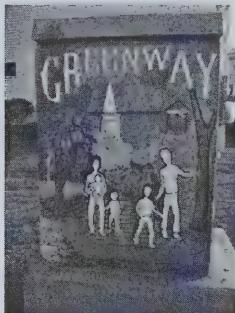
In 2013, the Stoneham Substance Abuse Coalition (SSAC) formed in an effort to address the epidemic of drug and alcohol abuse in our community. SSAC aims to promote drug and alcohol awareness and drug and alcohol abuse prevention.

Its goals are three: 1) to ensure ease of access to resources available to individuals and families struggling with drug and alcohol abuse, 2) to identify resources and implement programs within the town to help reduce and prevent the growing issue of drug and alcohol abuse, and 3) to identify policies at both the state and national level that we can support to help communities deal with the epidemic of substance abuse.

SSAC held many successful events in 2015 to prevent, educate and raise awareness. These events included an Opioid Overdose Narcan Training and Vigil, Town Hall Forum, Health Fair, Take Back prescription medication events; SSAC also participated in Town Day and Luna Gale. The youth club at the high school focused on spreading an impaired driving awareness message to their peers. Coalition members have been collecting data on perceptions and behaviors from the local community, and have been active participating in prevention work regionally. All of this is key to building a long-lasting Coalition that makes a difference.

Respectfully submitted by Shelly Macneill, Chair and Kara Showers, SSAC Coordinator

### **Switchbox Art Project**



The Stoneham Switchbox Art project continued to make progress on visually enhancing the town by painting utility boxes. The goal of the project is to showcase original work by local artists, enhance public spaces, build our community connections and demonstrate pride in Stoneham for the benefit of both locals and visitor.

In 2015, two more boxes were completed: Howie Porter's on the Town Common and Robert Demetrio's at the High School entrance. John Riggio was able to prepare his box on Elm Street (at Central) and pencil in the design before the weather changed. The street side of the box at Park and Marble sported graffiti one summer morning. A kind neighbor offered to fund the re-paint but we had enough money and paint for Jane Buffo to cover the defacement.

The group did not need to raise additional funds in 2015 due to the previous generous donations as noted in the 2013 report. The project continues to operate at no public expense. We welcome new art proposals from anyone who lives, works or volunteers in Stoneham. Additional information and application details are available on the Town Web Page under "Things to Do" or [stonehamwitchboxart@gmail.com](mailto:stonehamwitchboxart@gmail.com)

Current members; Lorraine Bennett, Margaret Drummey, Bee Russo, Margaret Warren and Marcia M. Wengen.

Submitted by Marcia M. Wengen

## Town Accountant

In fiscal year 2015, the Town of Stoneham generated a surplus of \$1,111,078. Actual revenues for local receipts, such as, motor vehicle excise tax, green fees from both the Unicorn and Par 3 Golf Courses, as well as ice rentals from the Stoneham Arena, exceeded estimated amounts by \$809,000. In addition, departments, collectively, had budget returns totaling more than \$240,000 at the end of fiscal year 2015. The only significant shortfall was a \$287,525 snow and ice deficit that had to be carried over into fiscal year 2016 and funded with fiscal year 2015 surplus revenue at the October 22, 2015 Special Town Meeting. This deficit would have been much greater, but the Town was able to offset about \$128,000 of it with anticipated funds from FEMA.

After funding the \$287,525 snow and ice deficit at the October 22, 2015 Special Town Meeting, the Town voted to use some of the fiscal year 2015 surplus to fund some capital items, such as, improve the Police Station HVAC System (\$34,000), perform an HVAC Study at the Police Station to devise a more efficient and effective system that should reduce future costs (\$48,000), purchase DPW Trucks and Equipment (\$250,000), and paint trim on the Fire Station (\$30,200).

The Town was able to continue building its reserves with the remaining surplus of \$457,850, which was transferred equally into the General Stabilization Fund (\$228,925) and the Capital Stabilization Fund (\$228,925). This transaction brought the current balances in these two rainy day accounts to \$2,607,211 and \$321,609 respectively. The General Stabilization Fund is important so that the Town can deal with unexpected budget increases or unanticipated revenue reductions. The Capital Stabilization Fund will help eliminate the need to borrow for small capital items. Both of these Funds are looked at by bond rating agencies and will, most likely, lead to a higher bond rating if the balances in these reserve funds meet a certain level, which is about ten percent of the General Fund budget. In order to achieve this objective, the combined balance in these reserve accounts should be greater than \$6 million.

The Accounting Department had a very successful fiscal year 2015 and continues satisfying its many responsibilities, including accounts payable, payroll, employee accruals, vendor maintenance and providing various user groups, such as, banks, vendors, taxpayers, local officials, creditors, auditors, and bond rating agencies with timely records, reports and other information. Not only does the Accounting Department perform these important functions, but it is also the primary "financial watchdog" which oversees internal controls and protects the Town's assets. Every year the Accounting Department undergoes an audit by an independent auditing firm, which confirms that the proper safeguards are in place, and that the information generated by the Accounting Department is accurate, reliable, and are in accordance with Massachusetts General Laws and GAAP. I am proud to say that there hasn't been any findings that would cause the auditors to form a negative opinion on the Town's financial statements.

Keeping pace with all these demands would not have been possible without the help of my staff, Patricia Queeney and Karen Brown. I am truly grateful for all their hard work and dedication over the many years. Also, I would like to thank the Board of Selectmen for their continued support. This will be my last annual report submitted due to my retirement in fiscal year 2016. I want to thank the residents for allowing me to serve them for over 31 years. I will truly miss you and the many people I have worked with over these many years.

Respectfully submitted by Ronald J. Florino, Town Accountant

**TOWN OF STONEHAM**  
**GENERAL/SEWER/WATER FUNDS**  
**FY'15 ESTIMATED vs ACTUAL REVENUES**

DESCRIPTION	FY'15 EST. REVENUE	FY'15 ACTUAL REVENUE	FY'15 SURPLUS/ (DEFICIT)	FY'16 EST. REVENUE
MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE, NET OF REFUNDS	2,766,063	3,253,418.79	487,355.79	2,865,514
PENALTIES/INTEREST ON TAXES & EXCISE	175,233	240,972.50	65,739.50	179,013
PAYMENTS IN LIEU OF TAXES	59,000	59,423.46	423.46	55,000
FEES	268,680	354,413.68	85,733.68	276,332
RENTALS	16,000	18,910.16	2,910.16	15,542
DEPARTMENTAL REVENUE				
- SCHOOLS	172,672	189,224.38	16,552.38	165,000
- LIBRARIES	1,437	884.93	(552.07)	862
- CEMETERIES	77,183	94,570.00	17,387.00	75,729
- UNICORN GOLF	366,296	453,651.00	87,355.00	369,310
- STONEHAM OAKS	74,463	80,490.00	6,027.00	76,237
- STONEHAM ARENA	520,000	563,672.42	43,672.42	540,114
OTHER DEPARTMENTAL REVENUE	7,348	2,921.03	(4,426.97)	2,906
LICENSES & PERMITS	582,803	575,421.35	(7,381.65)	550,000
FINES & FORFEITS(Parking & Dog Fines)	23,300	23,350.00	50.00	22,000
INVESTMENT INCOME	21,521	16,938.06	(4,582.94)	16,100
DISTRICT COURT FINES	48,700	41,156.18	(7,543.82)	40,000
BILLBOARD LEASE	50,000	50,000.00	0.00	50,000
MEALS TAX	290,674	311,609.43	20,935.43	295,000
TOTAL LOCAL RECEIPTS	5,521,373	6,331,027.37	809,654.37	5,594,659
STATE AID	8,558,482	8,474,768.00	(83,714.00)	8,769,119
REAL EST/PERS. PROP.	44,152,762	44,233,606.26	80,844.26	45,482,026
BOND PREMIUM	0	8,090.48	8,090.48	0
TAX LIENS/DEFERRED REAL ESTATE	0	132,118.89	132,118.89	0
TOTAL GENERAL FUND	58,232,617	59,179,611.00	946,994.00	59,845,804
TOTAL SEWER FUND	5,588,762	6,081,135.21	492,373.21	5,702,880
TOTAL WATER FUND	4,849,525	4,676,600.16	(172,924.84)	4,590,227

**TOWN OF STONEHAM**  
**Budget vs Expenditures Report**  
**As of June 30, 2015**

		PERSONNEL			OPERATING			TOTAL BUDGET				
Dept. #	Department	FY'15 Budget	Year-to-date Expended	% Used	FY'15 Budget	Year-to-date Expended	% Used	FY'15 Budget	Year-to-date Expended	End of Year Encumb.	Dept. Turnbacks	% Used
114	Town Moderator	0	0.00	0.00%	220	45.00	20.45%	220	45.00	0.00	175.00	20.45%
122	Board of Selectmen	77,753	77,741.97	99.99%	10,000	9,981.68	99.82%	87,753	87,723.65	0.00	29.35	99.97%
123	Town Administrator	324,438	324,437.22	100.00%	62,500	61,806.58	98.57%	386,938	386,043.80	0.00	894.20	99.77%
132	Reserve Fund	0	0.00	0.00%	1,238	0.00	0.00%	1,238	0.00	0.00	1,237.50	0.00%
135	Town Accountant	169,674	169,671.49	100.00%	1,550	684.82	44.18%	171,224	170,358.31	0.00	867.69	99.49%
141	Assessors	132,801	124,609.87	93.83%	4,300	3,955.60	91.99%	137,101	128,565.47	5,000.00	3,535.53	97.42%
145	Town Treasurer	242,882	242,712.85	99.93%	18,510	15,109.08	81.63%	261,392	257,821.93	90.00	3,480.07	98.67%
151	Town Counsel	109,090	109,089.95	100.00%	6,725	5,926.50	88.13%	115,815	115,016.45	790.00	8.55	99.99%
155	Data Processing	97,717	97,705.24	99.99%	122,453	117,729.85	96.14%	220,170	215,435.09	4,707.28	27.63	99.99%
161	Town Clerk	122,676	119,881.31	97.72%	5,450	5,210.95	95.61%	128,126	125,092.26	2,200.00	833.74	99.35%
162	Elec. & Reg.	72,811	71,946.94	98.81%	20,100	16,087.22	80.04%	92,911	88,034.16	0.00	4,876.84	94.75%
172	Whip Hill park	0	0.00	0.00%	10,950	7,869.23	71.87%	10,950	7,869.23	3,080.77	0.00	100.00%
182	Planning/Appeals/Conserv.	43,543	40,931.63	94.00%	1,160	1,146.03	98.80%	44,703	42,077.66	2,600.00	25.34	99.94%
185	Economic & Community Dev.	31,422	31,420.30	99.99%	42,500	1,994.10	4.69%	73,922	33,414.40	39,850.00	657.60	99.11%
192	Public Property Maint.	500	0.00	0.00%	80,612	66,601.69	82.62%	81,112	66,601.69	6,739.46	7,770.85	90.42%
210	Police	3,399,406	3,379,022.59	99.40%	254,770	231,932.07	91.04%	3,654,176	3,610,954.66	1,725.92	41,495.42	98.86%
211	Traffic Directors	135,128	132,343.14	97.94%	4,500	4,408.23	97.96%	139,628	136,751.37	0.00	2,876.63	97.94%
212	Dispatchers	375,880	369,764.40	98.38%	7,610	3,133.94	41.18%	383,470	372,898.34	0.00	10,571.66	97.24%
220	Fire	2,648,223	2,647,816.10	99.98%	119,650	115,866.81	96.84%	2,767,873	2,763,882.71	285.63	3,904.66	99.86%
241	Building & Wire	193,617	187,924.52	97.06%	6,900	4,314.38	62.53%	200,517	192,238.90	5,834.61	2,443.49	98.78%
291	Civil Defense	2,000	2,000.00	100.00%	0	0.00	0.00%	2,000	2,000.00	0.00	0.00	100.00%
300	Schools	19,894,310	19,974,356.85	100.40%	5,127,995	5,031,993.33	98.13%	25,022,305	25,006,350.18	15,954.82	0.00	100.00%
397	Essex No Shore Agricultural	0	0.00	0.00%	272,175	272,025.09	99.94%	272,175	272,025.09	0.00	149.91	99.94%
398	Minuteman Voc.	0	0.00	0.00%	42,000	41,434.00	98.65%	42,000	41,434.00	0.00	566.00	98.65%
399	Northeast Reg. Voc.	0	0.00	0.00%	1,099,192	1,099,192.00	100.00%	1,099,192	1,099,192.00	0.00	0.00	100.00%
400	Public Works	886,451	856,244.67	96.59%	1,009,345	1,274,534.19	126.27%	1,895,796	2,130,778.86	20,798.40	(255,781.25)	113.49%
510	Board of Health	140,525	140,524.76	100.00%	1,840	1,261.84	68.58%	142,365	141,786.60	0.00	578.40	99.59%
541	Council on Aging	91,812	87,672.08	95.49%	37,827	31,232.50	82.57%	129,639	118,904.58	10,594.60	139.92	99.89%
543	Veterans Service	39,676	39,675.99	100.00%	171,899	156,900.32	91.38%	211,375	196,576.31	0.00	14,798.69	93.00%
610	Public Library	548,934	547,826.18	99.80%	198,850	191,163.34	96.13%	747,784	738,989.52	292.93	8,501.55	98.86%
630	Unicorn Golf Course	139,702	137,705.56	98.57%	282,374	263,259.33	93.23%	422,076	400,964.89	18,818.42	2,292.69	99.46%
631	Unicorn Rink	169,622	161,448.05	95.18%	265,280	252,842.66	95.31%	434,902	414,290.71	8,131.92	12,479.37	97.13%
710	Maturing Debt	0	0.00	0.00%	3,340,000	3,340,000.00	100.00%	3,340,000	3,340,000.00	0.00	0.00	100.00%
750	Interest	0	0.00	0.00%	1,280,089	1,280,087.48	100.00%	1,280,089	1,280,087.48	0.00	1.52	100.00%
911	Contributory	0	0.00	0.00%	4,788,848	4,788,848.00	100.00%	4,788,848	4,788,848.00	0.00	0.00	100.00%
912	Health Insurance	0	0.00	0.00%	7,618,762	7,541,979.61	98.99%	7,618,762	7,541,979.61	0.00	76,782.39	98.99%
919	Unclassified	21,003	0.00	0.00%	1,379,415	1,355,494.40	98.27%	1,400,418	1,355,494.40	37,189.69	7,733.41	99.45%
920	Non-Departmental	0	0.00	0.00%	37,085	35,347.84	95.32%	37,085	35,347.84	134.41	1,602.75	95.68%
TOTAL GENERAL		30,111,576	30,074,473.66	99.88%	27,734,473	27,631,199.49	99.63%	57,846,049	57,705,673.15	184,818.76	(44,442.91)	100.08%
440	Sewer	631,625	614,186.97	97.24%	116,400	88,897.09	76.37%	748,025	703,084.06	16,210.57	28,730.37	96.16%
440	Intergovernmental	0	0.00	0.00%	4,477,065	4,477,065.00	100.00%	4,477,065	4,477,065.00	0.00	0.00	100.00%
710	Maturing Debt	0	0.00	0.00%	92,400	92,400.00	100.00%	92,400	92,400.00	0.00	0.00	100.00%
750	Interest	0	0.00	0.00%	0	0.00	0.00%	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00%
TOTAL SEWER		631,625	614,186.97	97.24%	4,685,865	4,658,362.09	99.41%	5,317,490	5,272,549.06	16,210.57	28,730.37	99.46%
450	Water	552,503	551,264.38	99.78%	213,650	131,764.69	61.67%	766,153	683,029.07	13,355.34	69,768.59	90.89%
440	Intergovernmental	0	0.00	0.00%	3,490,972	3,490,972.00	100.00%	3,490,972	3,490,972.00	0.00	0.00	100.00%
710	Maturing Debt	0	0.00	0.00%	273,636	273,636.00	100.00%	273,636	273,636.00	0.00	0.00	100.00%
750	Interest	0	0.00	0.00%	0	0.00	0.00%	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00%
TOTAL WATER		552,503	551,264.38	99.78%	3,978,258.00	3,896,372.69	97.94%	4,530,761	4,447,637.07	13,355.34	69,768.59	98.46%
		31,295,704			36,398,596			67,694,300				

**Town of Stoneham**  
**Principal on Maturing Debt Schedule**  
**As of June 30, 2015**

	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027-2033	Total
Senior Center Renovation	65,000												65,000
Police Station Renovation	223,000	222,000	215,000	211,300									871,300
Town Common-Phase II	55,000	54,000	50,000	48,700									207,700
South School Renovation	497,000	494,000	485,000	485,000	480,000	480,000							2,921,000
Central School Renovation	655,000	640,000	630,000	625,000	625,000	625,000							3,800,000
Robinhood School Renovation	205,000	185,000	165,000	148,000	125,000	105,000	88,600						1,019,600
Improve Town Drainage	49,000	49,000	49,000	49,000	49,000	49,000	39,400						333,400
DPW Roof	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	4,000						64,000
Colonial School Renovation	546,200	541,200	531,300	525,400	521,400	516,500	503,000	495,000					4,180,000
Drainage at Elm/Franklin	1,800	1,800	1,800	1,700	1,700	1,700							10,500
East School Boiler/Roof	3,000	3,000	2,900	2,900	2,900	2,800							17,500
M. S. Roof and Doors (\$848,530)	53,000	53,000	52,000	52,000	52,000	52,000	50,000						364,000
Fire Station Ventilation (\$60,000)	4,000	4,000	4,000	4,000	4,000	4,000	4,000						28,000
H.S. Roof/M.S. Boiler (\$400,000)	26,000	26,000	26,000	26,000	26,000	26,000	26,000						182,000
H.S. Bleachers (\$160,000)	11,000	11,000	8,000	8,000	8,000	8,000							54,000
H.S. Roof (\$215,000)	14,000	14,000	14,000	14,000	14,000	14,000							98,000
H.S. and M.S. Repairs (\$250,000)	17,000	17,000	16,000	16,000	16,000	16,000							114,000
Drainage at Spring St/East St (\$400,000)	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000	80,000	300,000
Drainage at MacArthur/Spring St (\$400,000)	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000	80,000	300,000
Replace Arena Boards/Glass (\$65,000)	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000									20,000
Replace Arena Roof (\$140,000)-Nontaxable	5,000	15,000	15,000	15,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	140,000	
Replace Arena Roof (\$85,000)-Taxable	10,000												10,000
Drainage (\$300,000)	15,000	15,000	15,000	15,000	15,000	15,000	15,000	15,000	15,000	15,000	15,000	75,000	240,000
Emergency Communications (\$695,000)	50,000	50,000	45,000	45,000	45,000	45,000	45,000	45,000	45,000	45,000	45,000	45,000	505,000
Digital Portable Radios (\$82,000)	15,000												15,000
Street Sweeper (\$165,000)	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	110,000
Replace Town Hall Roof (\$25,000)	5,000												5,000
Fire Pump Truck (\$600,000)	30,000	30,000	30,000	30,000	30,000	30,000	30,000	30,000	30,000	30,000	30,000	150,000	480,000
Sidewalk Plow (\$100,000)	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	25,000	80,000
School Technology (\$80,000)	15,000												15,000
South School AC (\$75,000)	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000		55,000
School Oil Tanks (\$240,000)	15,000	15,000	15,000	15,000	15,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	50,000	185,000
New Middle School/Feasibility Study	630,000	655,000	680,000	710,000	740,000	765,000	800,000	830,000	865,000	895,000	935,000	7,500,000	16,005,000
Subtotal	3,290,000	3,170,000	3,125,000	3,120,000	2,850,000	2,845,000	1,715,000	1,495,000	1,035,000	1,065,000	1,105,000	7,980,000	32,795,000
**MWRA Sewer Rehab, Project-Phase 7 (\$228,800)	22,880	22,880											45,760
**MWRA Sewer Rehab, Project-Phase 8 (\$233,200)	5,000	88,806	23,806	22,307									139,919
**MWRA Sewer Rehab, Project-Phase 9 (\$814,000)	500	15,100	31,600	30,600	35,100	30,100	25,100	10,100	10,100	10,100	5,099		203,499
Subtotal	28,380	126,786	55,406	52,907	35,100	30,100	25,100	10,100	10,100	10,100	5,099	0	389,178
**MWRA Water Rehab, Project-1st installment	15,000	242,659	14,500										272,159
**MWRA Water Rehab, Project-2nd installment	500	37,243	47,243	49,243	47,243	37,243	37,243	34,243	10,246				300,447
**MWRA Water Pipe Asst Program	3,500	86,843	164,643	166,043	130,043	115,643	26,643	6,641					699,999
Subtotal	19,000	366,745	226,386	215,286	177,286	152,886	63,886	40,884	10,246	0	0	0	1,272,605
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>3,337,380</b>	<b>3,663,531</b>	<b>3,406,792</b>	<b>3,388,193</b>	<b>3,062,386</b>	<b>3,027,986</b>	<b>1,803,986</b>	<b>1,545,984</b>	<b>1,055,346</b>	<b>1,075,100</b>	<b>1,110,099</b>	<b>7,980,000</b>	<b>34,466,783</b>

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**Town of Stoneham**  
**Interest on Maturing Debt Schedule**  
**As of June 30, 2015**

	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027-2033	Total
Senior Center Renovation	1,381												1,381
Police Station Renovation	29,170	22,495	14,865	5,283									71,813
Town Common-Phase II	6,880	5,245	3,435	1,218									16,778
South School Renovation	113,925	99,060	81,950	60,125	36,000	12,000							403,060
Central School Renovation	147,975	128,550	106,350	78,125	46,875	15,625							523,500
Robinhood School Renovation	33,298	27,148	21,598	16,648	10,808	5,808	2,658						117,966
Improve Town Drainage	10,982	9,512	8,042	6,572	4,612	2,652	1,182						43,554
DPW Roof	2,120	1,820	1,520	1,220	820	420	120						8,040
Colonial School Renovation	135,868	118,482	103,246	87,307	66,291	45,435	29,340	14,850					602,419
Drainage at Elm/Franklin	349	295	241	187	119	51							1,242
East School Boiler/Roof	583	493	403	316	200	84							2,079
M. S. Roof and Doors (\$848,530)	14,560	12,440	10,320	8,240	6,160	4,080	2,000						57,800
Fire Station Ventilation (\$60,000)	1,120	960	800	640	480	320	160						4,480
H.S. Roof/M.S. Boiler (\$400,000)	7,280	6,240	5,200	4,160	3,120	2,080	1,040						29,120
H.S. Bleachers (\$160,000)	2,160	1,720	1,280	960	640	320							7,080
H.S. Roof (\$215,000)	3,920	3,360	2,800	2,240	1,680	1,120	560						15,680
H.S. and M.S. Repairs (\$250,000)	4,560	3,880	3,200	2,560	1,920	1,280	840						18,040
Drainage at Spring St/East St (\$400,000)	13,000	12,000	11,000	10,000	9,000	8,000	7,000	6,250	5,500	4,750	4,000	8,000	98,500
Drainage at MacArthur/Spring St (\$400,000)	13,000	12,000	11,000	10,000	9,000	8,000	7,000	6,250	5,500	4,750	4,000	8,000	98,500
Replace Arena Boards/Glass (\$65,000)	1,000	750	500	250									2,500
Replace Arena Roof (\$140,000)-Nontaxable	6,200	5,950	5,200	4,450	3,700	3,200	2,700	2,325	1,950	1,575	1,200	1,200	39,650
Replace Arena Roof (\$85,000)-Taxable	475												475
Drainage (\$300,000)	8,700	8,400	7,950	7,500	7,050	6,600	6,000	5,400	4,800	4,200	3,600	9,000	79,200
Emergency Communications (\$695,000)	17,350	16,350	14,850	13,500	12,150	10,800	9,000	7,200	5,400	3,600	1,800		112,000
Digital Portable Radios (\$82,000)	300												300
Street Sweeper (\$165,000)	3,800	3,600	3,300	3,000	2,700	2,400	2,000	1,600	1,200	800	400		24,800
Replace Town Hall Roof (\$25,000)	100												100
Fire Pump Truck (\$600,000)	17,400	16,800	15,900	15,000	14,100	13,200	12,000	10,800	9,600	8,400	7,200	18,000	158,400
Sidewalk Plow (\$100,000)	2,900	2,800	2,650	2,500	2,350	2,200	2,000	1,800	1,600	1,400	1,200	3,000	26,400
School Technology (\$80,000)	300												300
South School AC (\$75,000)	1,900	1,800	1,650	1,500	1,350	1,200	1,000	800	600	400	200		12,400
School Oil Tanks (\$240,000)	6,500	6,200	5,750	5,300	4,850	4,400	4,000	3,600	3,200	2,800	2,400	6,000	55,000
New Middle School/Feasibility Study	576,363	551,163	524,963	497,763	469,363	439,763	409,163	377,163	343,963	309,363	273,563	947,388	5,719,975
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,185,419</b>	<b>1,080,513</b>	<b>969,963</b>	<b>846,563</b>	<b>715,338</b>	<b>591,038</b>	<b>500,163</b>	<b>438,038</b>	<b>383,313</b>	<b>342,038</b>	<b>299,563</b>	<b>1,000,588</b>	<b>8,352,531</b>
**MWRA Sewer Rehab. Project-Phase 7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
**MWRA Sewer Rehab. Project-Phase 8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
**MWRA Sewer Rehab. Project-Phase 9	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
**MWRA Water Rehab. Project-1st instalment	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
**MWRA Water Rehab. Project-2nd instalment	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
**MWRA Water Pipe Asst Program	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>1,185,419</b>	<b>1,080,513</b>	<b>969,963</b>	<b>846,563</b>	<b>715,338</b>	<b>591,038</b>	<b>500,163</b>	<b>438,038</b>	<b>383,313</b>	<b>342,038</b>	<b>299,563</b>	<b>1,000,588</b>	<b>8,352,531</b>

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**TOWN OF STONEHAM**  
**Summary Balance Sheet**  
**As of June 30, 2015**

Assets	General	Revolving	Federal/	Other	Sewer	Water	Trust	Agency	Account Group		
	Fund	Fund	State Grants	Special Revenue	Capital Projects	Enterprise Fund	Fund	Funds	General L-T Obligations	Totals	
Cash - Unrestricted Checking	3,858,539									3,858,539	
- Restricted Checking		789,629	(515,340)	3,687,335	3,068,977	2,489,435	873,801	5,588,931	13,831	15,996,598	
- Restricted Savings									477,405	477,405	
- Petty Cash		400								400	
Personal Property Tax - 2015	25,236									25,236	
Personal Property Tax - 2014	15,683									15,683	
Personal Property Tax - Prior Years	37,344									37,344	
Real Estate Tax - 2016	(23,075)									(23,075)	
Real Estate Tax - 2015	614,591									614,591	
Real Estate Tax - 2014	184,947									184,947	
Real Estate Tax - Prior Years	220,152									220,152	
Allowance for Abatements/Exemptions	(1,361,722)									(1,361,722)	
Tax Liens	478,572					5,034	3,104			486,710	
Deferred Real Estate Taxes	74,682									74,682	
Motor Vehicle Excise Tax - 2015	137,549									137,549	
Motor Vehicle Excise Tax - 2014	37,204									37,204	
Motor Vehicle Excise Tax - Prior Years	50,598									50,598	
Trash Fee Receivable	146,752									146,752	
User Charges Receivable - Sewer						699,122				699,122	
User Charges Receivable - Water							468,622			468,622	
Trash Fee/Sewer/Water Liens Receivable	20,198					81,170	55,580			156,948	
Departmental Receivables	57,395									57,395	
Amount to be provided for GLTD								34,456,788		34,456,788	
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>4,408,095</b>	<b>956,579</b>	<b>(515,340)</b>	<b>3,687,335</b>	<b>3,068,977</b>	<b>3,274,761</b>	<b>1,401,106</b>	<b>5,588,931</b>	<b>491,236</b>	<b>34,456,788</b>	<b>56,818,468</b>

**TOWN OF STONEHAM**  
**Summary Balance Sheet**  
**As of June 30, 2015**

Liabilities and Fund Balances	General	Revolving	Federal/	Other	Sewer	Water	Trust	Agency	Account Group		
	Fund	Fund	State Grants	Special Revenue	Capital Projects	Enterprise Fund	Enterprise Fund	Funds	General L-T Obligations	Totals	
Warrants Payable	315,878	85,950	201,185	218,083	395,427	35,710	65,875	100	1,223	1,319,430	
Accrued Payroll	411,002	20,458	2,023	406		18,161	16,626		17,789	486,464	
Health Ins. Withholdings	204,144									204,144	
Other Tax Withholdings	109									109	
Bond Anticipation Notes Payable					3,991,400					3,991,400	
Paid Details (Police, Fire, & Custodial)								(177,814)		(177,814)	
Unclaimed Items		5,978							(177,814)	5,978	
Guaranteed Deposits									477,405	477,405	
Deferred Revenue:											
- Uncollected Trash Fee			146,752							146,752	
- Uncollected Property Tax		(286,844)								(286,844)	
- Uncollected Def. Real Estate		74,682								74,682	
- Uncollected Tax Liens		478,572				5,034	3,104			486,710	
- Uncollected Motor Veh. Exc.		225,351								225,351	
- Uncollected User Charges					699,122	468,622				1,167,743	
- Uncollected Trash/Sewer/Water Liens		20,198			81,170	55,580				156,948	
- Uncollected Dept. Receivables		57,395								57,395	
Other Liabilities									172,632	172,632	
General Long Term Obligation Bonds									34,456,788	34,456,788	
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<b>1,486,267</b>	<b>273,359</b>	<b>203,207</b>	<b>218,488</b>	<b>4,386,827</b>	<b>839,196</b>	<b>609,807</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>491,236</b>	<b>34,456,788</b>	<b>42,965,275</b>
Undesignated Fund Balance/Retained Earnings	2,560,867					1,142,739	429,150			4,132,756	
Fund Balance:											
- Res. for Continuous Approp.	325,118					1,276,615	348,795			1,950,528	
- Reserved for Encumbrances	323,369					16,211	13,355			352,934	
- Reserved for Appropriation Deficit	(287,525)									(287,525)	
- Designated Federal Grants			(140,620)							(140,620)	
- Designated State Grants			(577,928)							(577,928)	
- Designated Revolving Fund		683,220								683,220	
- Reserved for Appropriation				782,272						782,272	
- Reserved for Special Purposes				2,686,575	(1,317,850)				5,588,831	6,957,556	
<b>Total Fund Balances</b>	<b>2,921,829</b>	<b>683,220</b>	<b>(718,548)</b>	<b>3,468,847</b>	<b>(1,317,850)</b>	<b>2,435,565</b>	<b>791,299</b>	<b>5,588,831</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>13,853,193</b>	
<b>Total Liabilities &amp; Fund Balances</b>	<b>4,408,095</b>	<b>956,579</b>	<b>(515,340)</b>	<b>3,687,335</b>	<b>3,068,977</b>	<b>3,274,761</b>	<b>1,401,106</b>	<b>5,588,931</b>	<b>491,236</b>	<b>34,456,788</b>	<b>56,818,468</b>

**Town of Stoneham**  
**Schedule of Federal & State Grants**  
**As of June 30, 2015**

Fund Number	Federal Grants	Balance 7/1/2014	Received FY 15	Total Available	Expended FY 15	Balance 6/30/2015
3004	Drug Enforcement (Federal)	7,126.33	7.21	7,133.54	3,046.97	4,086.57
3009	Community Develop.-Ready Resource Grant	8,874.86	0.00	8,874.86	0.00	8,874.86
3005	Seatbelt Enforcement Grant	204.32	5,407.83	5,612.15	3,776.74	1,835.41
3002	FEMA BOH Emergency Preparedness Grant	445.25	2,321.22	2,766.47	0.00	2,766.47
3007	FEMA Snow Emergency Fund	0.00	0.00	0.00	128,476.00	(128,476.00)
1004	Title I - Reading Program	2,061.00	101,127.00	103,188.00	140,845.19	(37,657.19)
1022	Title VI-B-Special Education for Handicapped (94-142)	0.00	620,378.00	620,378.00	620,378.00	0.00
1003	Title VI-B - Early Childhood Development	0.81	18,458.00	18,458.81	18,458.81	0.00
1018	Title I - ARRA	0.01	0.00	0.01	0.01	0.00
1001	274 - SPED Access	(2,673.00)	23,738.00	21,065.00	17,782.00	3,283.00
1005	Title II Improving Educator Quality	540.00	20,613.00	21,153.00	26,127.50	(4,974.50)
1027	298 - Special Education Allocation Grant	72.00	6,700.00	6,772.00	6,772.00	0.00
1029	Kindergarten Transition Grant	(13,686.00)	29,246.00	15,560.00	15,560.00	0.00
3033	Encourage Arrest/Enforce Protection	50,907.23	8,522.89	59,430.12	54,246.28	5,183.84
3029	Fire SAFER Grant	26,957.38	0.00	26,957.38	22,500.00	4,457.38
<b>Total Federal Grants</b>		<b>80,830.19</b>	<b>836,519.15</b>	<b>917,349.34</b>	<b>1,057,969.50</b>	<b>(140,620.16)</b>
Fund Number	State Grants	Balance 7/1/2014	Received FY 15	Total Available	Expended FY 15	Balance 6/30/2015
3016	Student Awareness Fire Education (S.A.F.E.)	2,699.38	8,018.00	10,717.38	5,273.48	5,443.90
3027	MOTT-Historic Registry Fire Station Grant	550.22	0.00	550.22	0.00	550.22
3012	Police Bullet Proof Vests	49.64	7,296.50	7,346.14	975.15	6,370.99
3025	Transportation for the Elderly	1,540.43	41,419.57	42,960.00	42,960.00	0.00
3019	Community Policing	10,851.42	0.00	10,851.42	1,829.95	9,021.47
3021	Mass Releaf Tree Grant	8,153.34	0.00	8,153.34	175.00	7,978.34
3014	Fire Department Hazmat Grant	0.41	0.00	0.41	0.00	0.41
3015	Mass. Incentive Recycling Program	16,602.04	1,458.33	18,060.37	18,048.00	12.37
3022	Law Enforcement Trust	9,555.83	10.60	9,566.43	7,109.06	2,457.37
3024	State Aid to Public Libraries	105,682.86	23,513.03	129,195.89	18,872.50	110,323.39
3013	Weights & Measures-Purchase Equipment	229.20	0.00	229.20	0.00	229.20
1009	Academic Support	49.63	6,294.00	6,343.63	5,642.89	700.74
3018	Arts & Lottery Grant	6,368.31	5,925.78	12,292.09	6,145.00	6,147.09
3011	Firefighter's Safety Equipment	9.62	0.00	9.62	0.00	9.62
3034	E911 Police Support/Incentive Grant FY2013	0.00	2,035.31	2,035.31	0.00	2,035.31
3037	E911 Police Support/Incentive Grant FY2014	(4,707.79)	21,019.29	16,311.50	0.00	16,311.50
3041	E911 Police Support/Incentive Grant FY2015	0.00	0.00	0.00	15,957.14	(15,957.14)
3026	Police 911 Training Grant FY2013	4,868.34	0.00	4,868.34	869.72	3,998.62
3038	Police 911 Training Grant FY2014	(19,694.66)	20,322.82	628.16	0.00	628.16
3040	Police 911 Training Grant FY2015	0.00	0.00	0.00	45,208.62	(45,208.62)
3030	Domestic Violence Grant	664.63	0.00	664.63	475.00	189.63
3039	Pedestrian & Bicycle Safety Enforcement Grant FY2014	(661.60)	1,660.89	799.29	0.00	799.29
1012	SPED Circuit Breaker	(187,605.00)	931,322.00	743,717.00	944,296.36	(200,579.36)
3000	Street Improvement Grant	1,543.46	0.00	1,543.46	0.00	1,543.46
3000	Winter Rapid Recovery Road Program	(0.00)	72,925.00	72,925.00	72,925.00	0.00
3000	CH 90 of the Acts of 2013	(10,829.99)	0.00	(10,829.99)	0.00	(10,829.99)
3000	CH 90 of the Acts of 2014	(43,151.98)	0.00	(43,151.98)	436,951.58	(460,103.56)
<b>Total State Grants</b>		<b>(97,434.26)</b>	<b>1,143,221.12</b>	<b>1,045,786.86</b>	<b>1,623,714.45</b>	<b>(577,927.59)</b>
<b>Total Federal &amp; State Grants</b>		<b>(16,604.07)</b>	<b>1,979,740.27</b>	<b>1,963,136.20</b>	<b>2,681,683.95</b>	<b>(718,547.75)</b>

**Town of Stoneham**  
**Schedule of Other Special Revenue**  
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Fund Number	Revolving Funds	Balance 7/1/2014	Received FY 15	Total Available	Expended FY 15	Balance 6/30/2015
0601	School Lunch Program	9,548.77	519,663.56	529,212.33	526,932.09	2,280.24
4001	Wetland Protection Fees	10,300.22	2,460.00	12,760.22	1,461.00	11,299.22
0607	Full Day Kindergarten	0.00	3,074.00	3,074.00	3,074.00	0.00
4003	Public Health Fund	22,551.16	7,463.65	30,014.81	5,560.86	24,453.95
0604	Athletic Fund	8,193.27	284,719.49	292,912.76	292,074.06	838.70
0614	Summer School Program	8,989.30	9,660.00	18,649.30	8,069.58	10,579.72
4005	Insurance Reimbursement Under \$20,000.	28,363.19	70,090.14	98,453.33	18,896.63	79,556.70
4006	Senior Center Outings	1,001.18	26,842.00	27,843.18	24,006.90	3,836.28
4011	Rental of Senior Center	1,013.80	16,130.00	17,143.80	17,168.49	(24.69)
0611	Reimb. for Lost Books	5,019.43	203.85	5,223.28	292.59	4,930.69
4008	Rental of Fire Station	5,580.71	24,537.73	30,118.44	19,876.67	10,241.77
4002	Rental of Tax Possession Property	10,903.23	0.00	10,903.23	0.00	10,903.23
0605	Rental of School Buildings	40,623.73	413,729.00	454,352.73	446,372.98	7,979.75
4010	ADA Parking Fines	24,183.75	4,270.00	28,453.75	4,310.31	24,143.44
0612	Pre School Program	8,430.65	137,802.45	146,233.10	135,716.76	10,516.34
0603	School Age/After School Child Care	369.12	378,435.50	378,804.62	371,347.41	7,457.21
4012	Railroad ROW Leases	6,665.93	41,681.12	48,347.05	9,691.84	38,655.21
4009	Trash & Recycling Special Fund	280,000.00	1,291,490.02	1,571,490.02	1,135,999.48	435,490.54
0610	School Instrumental Music Program	1,121.25	16,000.00	17,121.25	17,039.50	81.75
Total Revolving Funds		472,858.69	3,248,252.51	3,721,111.20	3,037,891.15	683,220.05

Fund Number	Receipts Reserved for Appropriations	Balance 7/1/2014	Received FY 15	Total Available	Expended FY 15	Balance 6/30/2015
4201	Sale of Foreclosed Property	85,553.93	0.00	85,553.93	0.00	85,553.93
4202	Sale of Town Property	605,082.56	0.00	605,082.56	0.00	605,082.56
4203	Sale of Cemetery Lots	90,610.45	37,025.00	127,635.45	36,000.00	91,635.45
Total Receipts Reserved for Appropriations		781,246.94	37,025.00	818,271.94	36,000.00	782,271.94

**Town of Stoneham**  
**Schedule of Other Special Revenue**  
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Fund Number	Individual Gifts & Donations	Balance 7/1/2014	Received FY 15	Total Available	Expended FY 15	Balance 6/30/2015
4306	Board of Selectmen- General Donations	6,956.87	500.00	7,456.87	0.00	7,456.87
4307	A T & T Broadband-Return line	30,000.00	0.00	30,000.00	0.00	30,000.00
4322	Town Common Donations	1,850.00	0.00	1,850.00	0.00	1,850.00
4310	Verizon Cable-Capital	25,666.66	43,333.36	69,000.02	0.00	69,000.02
4311	Verizon Cable-Operating	30,352.98	237,032.70	267,385.68	245,829.44	21,556.24
4314	Stoneham Historical Commission Donations	1,160.00	44.00	1,204.00	0.00	1,204.00
4315	BRMC Donation-Exercise Instructor	426.65	0.00	426.65	0.00	426.65
4316	Island Maintenance Donations	6,000.00	12,400.00	18,400.00	9,647.73	8,752.27
4318	Tree Service Donations	18,761.71	0.00	18,761.71	1,265.00	17,496.71
4319	Park & Street Donations	89,516.79	30,946.11	120,462.90	12,484.61	107,978.29
4320	Community Policing	0.00	100.00	100.00	0.00	100.00
4321	Public Safety Donation (BJ's)	48,934.20	10,000.00	58,934.20	13,509.60	45,424.60
4323	Civic Improvement Donation	5,000.00	0.00	5,000.00	0.00	5,000.00
4324	Optical Receiver/Landscaping Donations	2,551.36	0.00	2,551.36	0.00	2,551.36
4325	BJ's Site Plan (Traffic Lights)	26,000.00	0.00	26,000.00	0.00	26,000.00
4326	Board of Selectmen - Von Dreathen	1,305.81	0.00	1,305.81	0.00	1,305.81
4327	Board of Selectmen - Stockwell Fund	1,327.17	0.00	1,327.17	0.00	1,327.17
4330, 4333	Fire - NE Memorial Hospital (Super Pass)	785.08	0.00	785.08	0.00	785.08
4344	Fallon Road Study	90,000.00	1,781,107.73	1,871,107.73	156,438.10	1,714,669.63
4332	Conservation Commission Donation	25.00	0.00	25.00	0.00	25.00
4334	A T & T License Renewal-Capital	14,690.88	36,916.18	51,607.06	14,246.25	37,360.81
4335	A T & T License Renewal-Operating	72,447.50	289,160.64	361,608.14	310,244.58	51,363.56
0812	A T & T License Renewal-School Capital	117,587.13	5,000.00	122,587.13	0.00	122,587.13
4336	Library Donations	27,414.14	5,090.50	32,504.64	3,160.48	29,344.16
4337, 4340	Senior Citizen Donations	9,076.12	51,515.60	60,591.72	42,896.16	17,695.56
4338	Board of Health - Donation Stockwell Fund	955.70	5,530.00	6,485.70	0.00	6,485.70
4339	Whip Hill Trust	0.00	10,000.00	10,000.00	10,000.00	0.00
0807	School Gifts & Donations	11,749.59	22,087.66	33,837.25	22,735.64	11,101.61
4304, 4305	The Mugar Group	2,543.49	0.00	2,543.49	0.00	2,543.49
4348	Stoneham Arena Donations	1,041.88	0.00	1,041.88	0.00	1,041.88
4343	Lynn Fells Parkway Traffic Study	25,000.00	0.00	25,000.00	0.00	25,000.00
4345	Gutierrez Donation	23,577.74	0.00	23,577.74	0.00	23,577.74
0813	Maguire/Bender Math Fund	6,444.05	0.00	6,444.05	6,444.05	0.00
0809	SHS Alumni Donations	7,553.88	0.00	7,553.88	0.00	7,553.88

**Town of Stoneham**  
**Schedule of Other Special Revenue**  
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Fund Number	Individual Gifts & Donations (continued)	Balance 7/1/2014	Received FY 15	Total Available	Expended FY 15	Balance 6/30/2015
4301	Impact Study for T Mobile Cell Tower	7,776.05	0.00	7,776.05	0.00	7,776.05
4302	Franklin Street Dunkin Donuts Study	22,915.89	8,153.05	31,068.94	6,035.74	25,033.20
0810	Friends of Funds	0.05	0.00	0.05	0.00	0.05
0801	Homework Club Donations	4,448.50	4,000.00	8,448.50	5,980.00	2,468.50
4308	Memorial Day Parade Donations	6,435.30	1,686.00	8,121.30	1,020.00	7,101.30
0802	Athletic Hall of Fame Donations	11,978.27	200.00	12,178.27	417.18	11,761.09
0803	High School Field Restoration	62,458.91	0.00	62,458.91	62,458.91	0.00
0804	Coca Cola Scoreboard	4,143.51	0.00	4,143.51	4,143.51	0.00
4313	RCN Grant	10,205.16	15,000.00	25,205.16	5,799.75	19,405.41
4347	RCN Grant (Post 7/27/10)	31,609.19	20,276.13	51,885.32	5,075.91	46,809.41
4349	MWRA Tank (BRMC Site)	17,357.21	0.00	17,357.21	0.00	17,357.21
4350	Board of Selectmen--Fellsway Development	200,000.00	0.00	200,000.00	79,735.48	120,264.52
4351	AP Rounds Park Donations	3,863.62	0.00	3,863.62	161.12	3,702.50
4352	Switchbox Art Donations	960.39	0.00	960.39	475.53	484.86
4353	Rolling Thunder Project	350.00	0.00	350.00	0.00	350.00
4354	Cummings Foundation Grant	2,500.00	0.00	2,500.00	2,500.00	0.00
4355	Substance Abuse Coalition	1,000.00	1,857.00	2,857.00	1,533.74	1,323.26
4317	Ralph J. Arsenault Memorial Award	100.00	0.00	100.00	0.00	100.00
4356	Weisse Farm (Environmental)	0.00	15,000.00	15,000.00	14,030.32	969.68
4357	Weisse Farm (Traffic)	0.00	10,000.00	10,000.00	0.00	10,000.00
4358	Weisse Farm (Stenographer)	0.00	8,500.00	8,500.00	5,882.50	2,617.50
4359	Weisse Farm (Peer Review)	0.00	7,500.00	7,500.00	0.00	7,500.00
4360	Farmers Market Contributions	0.00	2,985.00	2985.00	0.00	2985.00
Total Gifts & Donations		1,094,804.43	2,635,921.66	3,730,726.09	1,044,151.33	2,686,574.76
Grand Total Other Special Revenues		2,348,910.06	5,921,199.17	8,270,109.23	4,118,042.48	4,152,066.75

**Town of Stoneham**  
**Schedule of Capital Projects**  
**As of June 30, 2015**

Fund Number	Capital Projects	Balance 7/1/2014	Received FY 15	Total Available	Expended FY 15	Balance 6/30/2015	Short-Term BANs Issued
5012	Fire Station Design	22,000.00	0.00	22,000.00	0.00	22,000.00	0.00
5025	Improve Town Drainage	249,654.55	0.00	249,654.55	248,638.96	1,015.59	0.00
5027	Purchase Digital Portable Radios	7,961.24	0.00	7,961.24	5,199.00	2,762.24	0.00
5035	Purchase Police Cruisers	433.04	0.00	433.04	425.00	8.04	0.00
5035	Library HVAC Pneumatics	12,000.00	0.00	12,000.00	0.00	12,000.00	0.00
5035	Replace Library Windows	2,250.00	0.00	2,250.00	0.00	2,250.00	0.00
5037	Replace Arena Boards and Glass	11,260.00	0.00	11,260.00	0.00	11,260.00	0.00
5034	2 Unmarked Police Cruisers	994.82	0.00	994.82	0.00	994.82	0.00
5034	Town Hall Fire Panel	3.08	0.00	3.08	3.08	0.00	0.00
5034	Park & Field Renovations	(0.27)	0.27	(0.00)	0.00	(0.00)	0.00
5034	Unicom Golf Course Fence	3,614.84	0.00	3,614.84	0.00	3,614.84	0.00
5034	Unicom Golf Course Mower	144.10	0.00	144.10	0.00	144.10	0.00
5034	East School Parking Lot	801.97	0.00	801.97	0.00	801.97	0.00
5034	Police Taser Equipment	10,100.00	0.00	10,100.00	10,100.00	0.00	0.00
5033	New Middle School	3,330,533.90	5,145,682.00	8,476,215.90	9,576,989.65	(1,100,773.75)	0.00
5042	One Unmarked Police Cruiser	147.20	0.00	147.20	0.00	147.20	0.00
5042	HVAC Pneumatics at the Library	12,000.00	0.00	12,000.00	0.00	12,000.00	0.00
5042	Town Technology Upgrade	150.47	0.00	150.47	150.47	0.00	0.00
5042	Police Station HVAC Operating System	6,483.00	0.00	6,483.00	4,843.00	1,620.00	0.00
5042	Replace Library Carpet	10,000.00	0.00	10,000.00	10,000.00	0.00	0.00
5042	DPW Underground Wiring	10,000.00	0.00	10,000.00	0.00	10,000.00	0.00
5042	Recreation Park Lighting	15,000.00	0.00	15,000.00	10,353.25	4,646.75	0.00
5042	DPW Hydraulic Lift	30,000.00	0.00	30,000.00	0.00	30,000.00	0.00
5043	DPW Dump Truck	5,621.01	0.00	5,621.01	5,621.01	0.00	0.00
5044	Elementary School Security System	26,131.00	0.00	26,131.00	21,465.68	4,665.32	0.00
5045	DPW Garage Doors	11,250.00	0.00	11,250.00	7,625.00	3,625.00	0.00
5010	Drainage at Spencer Street	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
5046	Purchase 3 Police Cruisers	0.00	0.00	0.00	126,794.95	(126,794.95)	132,000.00
5046	Police Range & Rifles	0.00	0.00	0.00	2,077.12	(2,077.12)	35,400.00
5046	Police Bullet Proof Vests	0.00	0.00	0.00	15,802.40	(15,802.40)	22,000.00
5046	Fire Station Gear Rack	0.00	0.00	0.00	14,391.00	(14,391.00)	15,000.00
5046	DPW Sander & Roller	0.00	0.00	0.00	29,553.99	(29,553.99)	35,000.00
5046	Unicom Golf Irrigation	0.00	0.00	0.00	10,135.00	(10,135.00)	15,000.00
5046	Unicom Golf 3 Mowers & Spray Unit	0.00	0.00	0.00	64,168.19	(64,168.19)	80,000.00
5046	Arena Bleachers/Stairs/Showers/Doors	0.00	0.00	0.00	4,200.00	(4,200.00)	67,000.00
5046	School Phones	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	30,000.00
5046	School Paving	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	25,000.00
5046	School HVAC System	0.00	0.00	0.00	13,439.58	(13,439.58)	20,000.00
5046	School Computers	0.00	0.00	0.00	41,769.50	(41,769.50)	50,000.00
5046	Elementary School Roof Repairs	0.00	0.00	0.00	18,500.00	(18,500.00)	35,000.00
5047	Fire Engine Pumper	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	Capital Projects funded with General Fund Revenues	3,778,513.95	5,145,682.27	8,924,196.22	10,242,045.83	(1,317,849.61)	741,400.00
6002	Sewer Main Construction 2006	12,641.00	0.00	12,841.00	5,369.00	7,452.00	0.00
6002	Sewer Main Construction 2013	32,346.70	0.00	32,346.70	32,057.72	288.98	0.00
6002	Sewer Main Construction 2015	0.00	400,000.00	400,000.00	23,525.30	376,474.70	0.00
6101	MWRA Sewer Rehabilitation Project(Phase 8)	231,228.46	0.00	231,228.46	151,029.19	80,199.27	0.00
6102	MWRA Sewer Rehabilitation Project(Phase 9)	\$0.03	814,300.00	814,300.00	1,800.00	812,200.00	0.00
6103	MWRA Sewer Rehabilitation Project(Phase 10)	\$0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	Capital Projects funded with Sewer Revenues	\$276,416.16	\$1,214,900.00	\$1,490,416.16	\$213,801.21	\$1,276,614.95	\$0.00
6202	Repair & Pave Streets	\$5,563.86	0.00	5,563.86	5,563.86	0.00	0.00
6202	Water Main Construction 2015	\$0.00	400,000.00	400,000.00	256,422.09	143,577.91	0.00
6301	MWRA Water Pipe Asst. Program: FY2011	33,865.84	132.99	33,998.83	6,378.43	27,620.40	0.00
6302	MWRA Water Pipe Asst. Program: FY2012	177,596.42	0.00	177,596.42	0.00	177,596.42	0.00
	Capital Projects funded with Water Revenues	\$217,326.12	\$400,132.99	\$517,159.11	\$268,364.38	\$348,794.73	\$0.00
	Total Capital Projects	4,271,956.23	6,759,815.26	11,031,771.49	10,724,211.42	307,560.07	741,400.00

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**TOWN OF STONEHAM**  
**SCHEDULE OF TRUST FUNDS**  
**AS OF JUNE 30, 2015**

Fund Number Description	Balance 7/1/14	Deposits FY 15	Investment Income FY 15	Total Available	Expended FY 15	Balance 6/30/15
8001 Cemetery Perpetual Care-Principal	959,283.48	7,625.00	-	966,908.48	-	966,908.48
8002 Cemetery Perpetual Care Flower-Principal	13,659.70	-	-	13,659.70	-	13,659.70
8003 Thomas Henry Jones Scholarship Fund-Principal	2,000.00	-	-	2,000.00	-	2,000.00
8004 Dale Cemetery	25.00	-	-	25.00	-	25.00
8005 Mary Anna Hill Library-Principal	5,000.00	-	-	5,000.00	-	5,000.00
8006 Dike Library	2,000.00	-	-	2,000.00	-	2,000.00
8007 Tredick Library	2,000.00	-	-	2,000.00	-	2,000.00
8008 Richardson Library	100.00	-	-	100.00	-	100.00
8009 Trowbridge Library	6,000.00	-	-	6,000.00	-	6,000.00
8010 Peyton Library-Principal	1,000.00	-	-	1,000.00	-	1,000.00
8011 Best Library	3,000.00	-	-	3,000.00	-	3,000.00
8013 Davis Library	2,000.00	-	-	2,000.00	-	2,000.00
8014 MacDonald Medal Fund	130.00	-	-	130.00	-	130.00
8015 Trowbridge Scholarship	5,500.00	-	-	5,500.00	-	5,500.00
8016 Sidney A. Hill Welfare Fund-Principal	3,000.00	-	-	3,000.00	-	3,000.00
8017 Town Hall Organ Fund	10.00	-	-	10.00	-	10.00
8018 Alice J. Durgin Welfare Fund-Principal	1,000.00	-	-	1,000.00	-	1,000.00
8019 Annie Brown Library-Principal	10,000.00	-	-	10,000.00	-	10,000.00
8020 Apalakis Library Trust	77,500.00	-	-	77,500.00	-	77,500.00
8021 Harry W. Lister Scholarship	100,000.00	-	-	100,000.00	-	100,000.00
<b>Subtotal Non-Expendable Trust Funds</b>	<b>1,193,208.18</b>	<b>7,625.00</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1,200,833.18</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1,200,833.18</b>

Fund Number Description	Balance 7/1/14	Deposits FY 15	Investment Income FY 15	Total Available	Expended FY 15	Balance 6/30/15
8103 Jones Scholarship	2,095.17	-	53.07	2,148.24	-	2,148.24
8101 Cemetery Perpetual Care-Income	116,918.27	-	12,781.47	129,699.74	60,000.00	69,699.74
8102 Cemetery Perpetual Care Flower-Income	22,052.76	-	462.82	22,515.58	1,018.78	21,496.80
8104 Dale Cemetery	732.16	-	9.81	741.97	-	741.97
8105 Mary Anna Hill Library	18,930.04	-	310.08	19,240.12	-	19,240.12
8106 Dike Library	5,066.39	-	91.56	5,157.95	-	5,157.95
8107 Tredick Library	10,103.36	-	156.84	10,260.20	-	10,260.20
8108 Richardson Library	273.89	-	4.84	278.73	-	278.73
8109 Trowbridge Library	12,984.20	-	221.92	13,206.12	-	13,206.12
8110 Peyton Library	3,458.23	-	57.76	3,515.99	-	3,515.99
8111 Best Library	4,768.25	-	100.65	4,868.90	-	4,868.90
8112 Marsh Library	31,100.35	-	402.99	31,503.34	-	31,503.34
8113 Davis Library	5,938.43	-	102.88	6,041.31	-	6,041.31
8114 MacDonald Medal Fund	10,367.02	-	136.03	10,503.05	-	10,503.05

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8115 Trowbridge Scholarship	1,883.90	-	95.69	1,979.59	-	1,979.59
8203 Qualters Scholarship	45,507.36	-	4,786.96	50,294.32	1,500.00	48,794.32
8204 Best Scholarship Fund	22,185.30	-	562.20	22,747.50	-	22,747.50
8205 Stockwell Shade Tree	22,082.83	-	286.16	22,368.99	-	22,368.99
8116 Hill Welfare	57,830.95	-	788.25	58,619.20	-	58,619.20
8117 Town Hall Organ Fund	279.50	-	3.77	283.27	-	283.27
8118 Durgin Welfare	33,934.48	-	446.60	34,381.08	2,231.79	32,149.29
8119 Annie Brown Library	17,699.84	-	358.92	18,058.76	-	18,058.76
8206 Stoneham War Memorial	4,295.58	-	55.68	4,351.26	-	4,351.26
8207 Helen Wolcott Stockwell Trust (COA)	447.96	-	5.80	453.76	-	453.76
8208 Helen Wolcott Stockwell (BOH)	184.59	-	2.39	186.98	-	186.98
8209 Helen Wolcott Stockwell (BOS-ADMIN)	12,839.33	3,500.00	166.51	16,505.84	3,500.00	13,005.84
8210 Town Scholarship Fund	10,605.67	1,111.00	143.05	11,859.72	-	11,859.72
8211 Town Education Fund	9,996.53	79.27	132.31	10,208.11	-	10,208.11
8120 Apalakis Library Trust	68,061.40	-	1,881.96	69,943.36	142.95	69,800.41
8212 Italian Development	246.51	8,982.43	3.11	9,232.05	6,211.37	3,020.68
8213 Robert O'Keefe Trust Fund	1,977.16	-	25.62	2,002.78	-	2,002.78
8214 Howard Watson Memorial Scholarship	30,840.77	(480.00)	372.27	30,733.04	1,500.00	29,233.04
8215 Mark Robert Kanchuga Memorial	16,574.87	-	191.10	16,765.97	700.00	16,065.97
8121 Harry W. Lister Scholarship	51,854.46	45,656.79	1,947.09	99,458.34	-	99,458.34
8216 Christopher Molloy Memorial Scholarship	30,629.82	-	376.58	31,006.40	1,000.00	30,006.40
8217 Stoneham High School Alumni	21,641.79	600.00	251.93	22,493.72	1,000.00	21,493.72
8218 Pauline Caroli Folsom Memorial	7,523.72	1,500.00	75.80	9,099.52	2,250.00	6,849.52
8219 Paul Mannke & Patricia Sullivan Memorial	766.81	-	9.95	776.76	-	776.76
8220 Weiss Family Scholarship	11,832.27	4,000.00	225.46	16,057.73	4,000.00	12,057.73
8221 Patricia A. Hoyt Memorial Scholarship	8,163.42	-	82.35	8,245.77	1,000.00	7,245.77
8222 Maureen McNulty Scholarship	208.04	-	2.69	210.73	-	210.73
8223 Joseph A. Viglietti Scholarship	5,087.19	200.00	65.78	5,352.97	250.00	5,102.97
8224 Joseph A. Marion E. Marrone Memorial	204.43	-	2.65	207.08	-	207.08
8225 Arthur J. Rotondi Sr. Mem Scholarship	14,718.98	500.00	168.48	15,387.46	1,000.00	14,387.46
8226 Karen Ferretti Adelizzi Memorial Scholar	15,642.75	595.00	302.74	16,540.49	3,000.00	13,540.49
8227 Leonard Barbo Family	6,427.87	-	74.67	6,502.54	500.00	6,002.54
8228 Edwin T. Casey, Sr. Memorial	58.80	-	0.77	59.57	-	59.57
8229 Elaine P. Cunniff Memorial Scholarship	94,617.36	1,000.00	1,226.10	96,843.46	1,000.00	95,843.46
8230 Emily Elizabeth Dunn Mem Scholarship	22,129.11	-	275.04	22,404.15	500.00	21,904.15
8231 Paul J. Palermo Sr. Memorial	37.16	-	0.48	37.64	-	37.64
8232 Dr. Michael Scarpitto Memorial	6,911.27	1,000.00	110.30	8,021.57	1,000.00	7,021.57
8233 Linda Reinhold Sinclair Memorial	5,734.40	1,000.00	93.66	6,828.06	500.00	6,328.06
8234 Stoneham Women's Club	20,453.82	-	241.61	20,695.43	1,000.00	19,695.43

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8235 Robert A. Wallace Memorial	2,605.84	-	11.69	2,617.53	500.00	2,117.53
8236 Woburn Court Scholarship	339.86	-	4.40	344.26	-	344.26
8237 Renato A. Paolini Scholarship	4,229.73	-	48.27	4,278.00	500.00	3,778.00
8238 Class of 1982	916.85	-	11.89	928.74	-	928.74
8239 Christoper N. Rockwood/C. Comley Scholarship	2,318.27	-	34.31	2,352.58	-	2,352.58
8240 Mary Ellen Lacey Memorial Scholarship	10,825.09	1,000.00	158.25	11,983.34	1,000.00	10,983.34
8241 Ruth A. Timpone Scholarship	5,736.90	-	74.35	5,811.25	-	5,811.25
8242 Robert Manson Memorial	2,459.55	2,000.00	33.25	4,492.80	1,500.00	2,992.80
8243 Stoneham Savings Bank	105.56	-	1.37	106.93	-	106.93
8244 McKeown Scholarship Fund	2,830.84	-	36.69	2,867.53	-	2,887.53
8245 Kelly Conlon Memorial	151.75	-	1.96	153.71	-	153.71
8246 Class of 1945 Scholarship	48.22	-	0.63	48.85	-	48.85
8247 John Pul Carbone Memorial	145.94	-	1.89	147.83	-	147.83
8248 Class of 1972	879.70	700.00	16.26	1,595.96	700.00	895.96
8249 Betty Rand Church Memorial Scholarship	10,687.74	-	68.10	10,755.84	3,000.00	7,755.84
8250 Pierre "Bo" Erhard Memorial	(17.57)	17.57	-	0.00	-	0.00
8251 Daniel W. Hogan, Jr. Scholarship	23,480.25	660.00	284.35	24,424.60	1,500.00	22,924.60
8252 Bob & Miriam Margarita Scholarship	617.23	-	-	617.23	-	617.23
8253 Inez K. Woodberry Scholarship	33,022.56	-	538.28	33,560.84	1,000.00	32,560.84
8254 Maureen Welch Scholarship	8,490.89	-	94.32	8,585.21	3,000.00	5,585.21
8255 Janis M. Wozniak Scholarship	1,670.26	-	21.64	1,691.90	-	1,691.90
8256 Vietnam Veterans Moving Wall Scholarship	20,874.63	-	247.08	21,121.71	1,000.00	20,121.71
8257 Philip F. Riley Memorial Scholarship	1,126.43	750.00	33.33	1,909.76	750.00	1,159.76
8258 Dan McKenzie Scholarship	29.89	1,000.00	0.41	1,030.30	500.00	530.30
8259 Class of 1960--In Memory of Elaine Moore	4,400.21	500.00	58.44	4,958.65	1,000.00	3,958.65
8260 Dorothea and Lewis Routhier Scholarship Fund	24,058.08	-	288.37	24,346.45	1,000.00	23,346.45
8261 George C. Saunders Scholarship	16.23	-	0.22	16.45	-	16.45
8262 David Geer Scholarship	2,750.34	1,555.00	46.66	4,352.00	1,500.00	2,852.00
8263 Chris Connolly Memorial	10,486.44	300.00	172.59	10,959.03	500.00	10,459.03
8264 Juana Acevedo Burgos Memorial	933.57	655.00	24.20	1,612.77	500.00	1,112.77
8265 The Class of 1948 Scholarship	62.25	-	-	62.25	-	62.25
8266 Helen F. Lister Scholarship	314,687.44	-	4,053.45	318,740.89	4,500.00	314,240.89
8267 Al Lanni Football Scholarship	2,005.00	-	67.58	2,072.58	-	2,072.58
8268 Marion J. Todd Library Department Trust	9,800.00	-	330.29	10,130.29	-	10,130.29
8271 Pui Sum Poon Memorial Scholarship	1,000.00	1,000.00	30.98	2,030.98	1,000.00	1,030.98
8272 The Lund Dental Associates Scholarship	500.00	500.00	15.58	1,015.58	500.00	515.58
8273 Scott M. McNamara Memorial Scholarship	-	14,885.00	33.91	14,918.91	-	14,918.91
8274 The CS Scholarship Honoring K. Windisch	-	3,000.00	8.19	3,008.19	-	3,008.19
8275 Marjorie Jeanne Rowe Cook Scholarship	-	2,500.00	-	2,500.00	-	2,500.00

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Fund Number Description	Balance 7/1/14	Deposits FY 15	Investment Income FY 15	Total Available	Expended FY 15	Balance 6/30/15
8202 Health Trust Fund	15,615.75	-	202.33	15,818.08	-	15,818.08
8200 Stabilization Fund	2,072,302.14	269,127.63	36,856.30	2,378,286.07	-	2,378,286.07
8201 Conservation Fund-Ford Foundation	2,396.45	-	31.04	2,427.49	-	2,427.49
8300 Capital Stabilization Fund	268,531.36	269,127.62	5,024.28	542,683.26	-	542,683.26
Subtotal Expendable Trust Funds	3,790,028.19	638,522.31	79,702.33	4,508,252.83	120,254.89	4,387,997.94
Trust Fund Grand Total	4,983,236.37	646,147.31	79,702.33	5,709,086.01	120,254.89	5,588,831.12

## Town Clerk

We began 2015 by sending out the Annual Street List to over nine thousand households in Stoneham and processing them as they were returned. The number of registered voters in Town increased slightly from 2014. We ended 2015 with a total of 15,214 registered voters. This number is made up of 4,799 registered Democrats, 1,650 Registered republicans, 12 registered in the Green-Rainbow party, 47 registered United Independent Party and 8,669 unenrolled voters (those voters not registered in a specific political party or political designation-formerly known as Independent). There were 37 voters registered under party designations. (Designations are often formed around a particular cause or ideology and do not have primaries).

As far as elections go, 2015 was a very quiet year. We only had one. The Annual Town Election was held on April 7, 2015 and 3,603 voters came out to cast their ballots.

As far as Town Meetings go, however, we were a bit busier in 2015. We began 2015 with a Special Town Meeting on January 12th. There were four articles on the warrant and 643 voters attended. Our Annual Town Meeting on May 4, 2015 had 177 voters acting on twenty articles. There was a Special Town Meeting held on June 8th. There were 100 voters in attendance acting on two articles including the Town's FY16 operating budget. The fall Special Town Meeting was held on October 22, 2015 and brought out 473 voters to act on 21 articles.

In 2015 the Town Clerk's office recorded and reported 224 resident births, 287 deaths and 101 marriages to the State Registry of Vital Records & Statistics.

The Town Clerk's Office had hundreds of over the counter and mail in transactions. For the calendar year we took in over \$113,000 in revenue.

Our Elections & Registration staff members/passport acceptance agents Carolyn Auriemma, Sandy Snyder & Barbara McLaughlin executed 1096 passport applications in 2015. This, along with 544 passport photos taken, brought in over \$35,000 of our revenue for the calendar year.

Once again, I would like to thank the office staff, Assistant Town Clerk Carolyn Auriemma, Barbara McLaughlin, Michelle Meagher and Sandy Snyder for all of their hard work. As always, they conducted themselves as professionals, maintaining the integrity of the office and acting in the best interest of the Town of Stoneham and our residents. We look forward to serving you in 2016.

Respectfully,

*Maria Sagarino*

Maria Sagarino  
Town Clerk

**MINUTES FOR SPECIAL TOWN MEETING**  
**MONDAY, JANUARY 12, 2015**

To either of the Constables of the Town of Stoneham in the County of Middlesex, Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Stoneham qualified to vote in elections and Town affairs to meet in the Town Hall, 35 Central Street, on

Monday, January 12, 2015

at 7:00 o'clock in the evening to act upon the following articles of this Warrant:

Tellers were appointed to check the names of voters entering the Town Hall and the checklist showed 643 voters were inside the meeting.

The meeting was called to order by Moderator Lawrence Means at 7:15 PM. Moderator Lawrence Means led the Pledge of Allegiance. He acknowledged Stoneham resident Michael Day as our newly elected State Representative. Moderator Means acknowledged waiving the reading of the warrant and the meeting began.

**Article 1.** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to acquire land parcels, permanent and temporary easements, and/or other rights in land and to dedicate Town-owned land for the purpose of obtaining a secure and public right of way in the general area of the former railroad right of way, formerly known as the Stoneham Branch Right of Way for the below referenced Bikeway/Greenway. The parcels affected shall include those shown on plans prepared by Fay, Spofford & Thorndike LLC and on file at town hall. This will allow for the construction of the Multi-Use Trail project and roadway safety improvements of the Tri-Community Bikeway/Greenway project along and in the area of said former railroad right of way running from the Woburn Town line to Gerry Court at the far end of Recreation Park. Further that the Selectmen may acquire such rights in additional real property, including these parcels, modification of these parcels, other necessary rights, easements and/or other rights related thereto through any legal means, including purchase, gift and/or eminent domain and take such other actions as needed to effectuate this vote. Further, to use funds available from the Rail Road Right of Way Special Article Account (fund #029048) and/or Rail Road Right of Way Special Fund (fund #4012) (combined current balance of \$47,663 on 10/24/2014) as needed for such acquisitions and to defray any associated right of way or acquisition costs or expenses connected with this project. or act on anything relating thereto.\*

**Stoneham Bikeway/Greenway Committee**

**Article 1.** Voted that the Town authorize the Board of Selectmen to acquire land parcels, permanent and temporary easements, and/or other rights in land and to dedicate Town-owned land for the purpose of obtaining a secure and public right of way in the general area of the former railroad right of way, formerly known as the Stoneham Branch Right of Way for the below referenced Bikeway/Greenway. The parcels affected shall include the attached "Tri-Community Bikeway-Town of Stoneham-Parcel Summary" and shown on plans prepared by Fay, Spofford & Thorndike LLC and titled "2014-12-18 - 604652 - Tri-Community - Stoneham Parcel Summary". This will allow for the construction of the Multi-Use Trail project and roadway safety improvements of the Tri-Community Bikeway/Greenway project along and in the area of said former railroad right of way running from the Woburn Town line to the south side of Gould Street. Further that the Selectmen may acquire such rights in additional real property, including these parcels, modification of these parcels, other necessary rights, easements and/or other rights related thereto through any legal means, including purchase, gift and/or eminent domain and take such other actions as needed to effectuate this vote. Further, to use funds available from the Rail Road Right of Way Special Article Account (fund #029048) and/or Rail Road Right of Way Special Fund (fund #4012) as needed for such acquisitions and to defray any associated right of way or acquisition costs or expenses connected with this project. And further to authorize the Board of Selectmen and/or Town Administrator to take any action needed to effectuate this purpose and/or vote.

PARCEL NO.	TITLE HOLDER (N/F)	RECORDED		AREA (+/-)			REMARKS	
		DEED BOOK	PAGE NO.	TOTAL PROPERTY AREA	ACQUISITION (includes easements) / DEDICATIONS		TEMP CONSTRUCTION EASEMENT AREA	
					STATE	TOWN		
X-7-T	MASSACHUSETTS BAY TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY STONEHAM (Acquisition by stoneham previously authorized by Town Meeting)	13117	113	45,975 SF	45,975 +/-SF		-	ACQUISITION/DEDICATION FOR PROPOSED TRAIL MBTA or STONEHAM
X-8-T	TOWN OF STONEHAM	15490	507	66,548 SF	-	66,548 +/-SF	-	ACQUISITION/DEDICATION FOR PROPOSED TRAIL
X-TE-56	JOHN J. MELKONIAN 51 MONTVALE AVENUE - STONEHAM MAP 17 LOT 253	54548	319	39,857 SF	-	-	679 +/-SF	TEMPORARY CONSTRUCTION ACCESS AND GRADING
X-10-T	TOWN OF STONEHAM	15490	507	41,223 SF	-	41,223 +/-SF	-	ACQUISITION/DEDICATION FOR PROPOSED TRAIL
X-TE-58	CHESTNUT HOLLOW LLC. 41 - 43 MONTVALE AVENUE - STONEHAM MAP 17 LOT 256	39450	4	66,385 SF	-	-	816 +/-SF	TEMPORARY CONSTRUCTION ACCESS AND GRADING
X-11-T	TOWN OF STONEHAM	15490	507	2,114 SF	-	2,114 +/-SF	-	ACQUISITION/DEDICATION FOR PROPOSED TRAIL
X-12-T	TOWN OF STONEHAM	15490	507	37,623 SF	-	37,623 +/-SF	-	ACQUISITION/DEDICATION FOR PROPOSED TRAIL
X-13-T	TOWN OF STONEHAM	15490	507	11,102 SF	-	11,102 +/-SF	-	ACQUISITION/DEDICATION FOR PROPOSED TRAIL
X-14-T	TOWN OF STONEHAM	15490	507	76,582 SF	-	76,582 +/-SF	-	ACQUISITION/DEDICATION FOR PROPOSED TRAIL Excluding the area currently used for a school driveway
X-TE-59	TOWN OF STONEHAM	8112	258	392,040 SF	-	-	3,062 +/-SF	TEMPORARY CONSTRUCTION ACCESS AND GRADING
X-TE-60	STONEHAM MIDDLE SCHOOL				-	-	323	TEMPORARY CONSTRUCTION ACCESS AND GRADING
X-15-T	TOWN OF STONEHAM	15490	507	39,222 SF	-	39,222 +/-SF	-	ACQUISITION/DEDICATION FOR PROPOSED TRAIL
X-TE-61	43 POMEWORTH STREET CONDO ASSOCIATION 43 POMEWORTH STREET - STONEHAM MAP 12 LOT 340	-	-	38,638 SF	-	-	412 +/-SF	TEMPORARY CONSTRUCTION ACCESS AND GRADING
X-16-T	TOWN OF STONEHAM	15490	507	16,943 SF	-	16,943 +/-SF	-	ACQUISITION/DEDICATION FOR PROPOSED TRAIL
X-TE-62	JOHN W. PARISEAU TR. 41 PLEASANT STREET - STONEHAM MAP 12 LOT 349	48991	45	29,055 SF	-	-	1,537 +/-SF	TEMPORARY CONSTRUCTION ACCESS AND GRADING
X-TE-63	AMY S. MACISAAC 15 GOULD STREET - STONEHAM MAP 13 LOT 31	57711	526	6,970 SF	-	-	232 +/-SF	TEMPORARY CONSTRUCTION ACCESS AND GRADING
X-17-T	TOWN OF STONEHAM	15490	507	38,396 SF	-	881 +/-SF	-	ACQUISITION/DEDICATION FOR PROPOSED TRAIL
X-TE-66					-	-	951 +/-SF	TEMPORARY CONSTRUCTION ACCESS AND GRADING

**2/3 Vote Required  
Passes Per Moderator  
Motion for Reconsideration  
Cannot Be Reconsidered**

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Stoneham Town Code, Chapter 15, Zoning By-law.

1.) by amending the Zoning Map of the Town of Stoneham to add to the Residence B District the following described property at 42 Pleasant Street:

Beginning at a point on the Northerly side of Pleasant Street being the Southwesterly lot corner of the subject property; thence

N 24°41'00" E      Thirty-three and 00/100 (33.00) feet; thence

N 61°44'00" W      Thirty and 64/100 (30.64) feet; thence

N 13°03'10" E      Three Hundred Forty and 42/100 (340.42) feet; thence

N 17°52'10" E Sixteen and 00/100 (16.00) feet; thence

S 86°53'47" E      Eighty-nine and 75/100 (89.75) feet; thence

by a curve with a radius of One thousand, One hundred Twenty-five and 23.

N 52°21'50" W

Fifty-three and 82/100 (53.82) feet; thence

S 37°38'10" W

Eighty-six and 18/100 (86.18) feet; thence

N 52°21'50" W

Ninety-four and 84/100 (94.84) feet along Pleasant Street to the Point of Beginning

The above described property contains 75,891 square feet of land, and

2.) by amending Section 4.3.3.1(h) to read as follows: Section 4.3.3.1(h) If there is more than one (1) such structure on a lot of record, there shall be at least sixty (60) feet between each structure except for town houses where there shall be at least forty-five (45) feet between each structure. The only exception may be that no more than three (3) buildings may each be interconnected by a covered walkway or breezeway for reasons of convenience and shelter from the elements, if such walkway, in the opinion of the Planning Board and the Board of Selectmen, shall not impair services to the buildings by emergency vehicles or equipment. Such buildings so interconnected shall be deemed as separate and individual buildings for the purposes of administering the Rules and Regulations Governing the Subdivision of Land for the Town of Stoneham. (5-1-95, Art. 11) and,

3.) and by amending Section 5.2.1 Table One - Dimensional Requirements as attached:

**Zoning**

**Chapter 15**

TABLE ONE - DIMENSIONAL REQUIREMENTS							
District	Minimum Lot Size in Square Feet	Frontage & Lot Width in Feet <sup>2</sup>	Percent Coverage <sup>7</sup>	Front	Minimum Setback in Feet Side <sup>8,9</sup>	Rear <sup>10</sup>	Height in Feet
Residence A	10,000 <sup>1</sup>	90 <sup>2</sup>	30 <sup>3</sup>	20 <sup>4</sup>	10 <sup>5</sup>	15 <sup>6</sup>	30
Residence B	7,000 <sup>1</sup>	75 <sup>2</sup>	20 <sup>4</sup>	15 <sup>8</sup>	11 <sup>9,10</sup>	15 <sup>11</sup>	30
Neighborhood Business	10,000	100	50	15	15	15	30
Kiosks	None Required	None Required	None Required	15	15	15	45
Central Business	None Required	None Required	100 <sup>12</sup>	None	None	None	45
Highway Business	10,000	100	75 <sup>13</sup>	20 <sup>4</sup>	5 <sup>14</sup>	5 <sup>14</sup>	45
Commercial	20,000	100	75 <sup>13</sup>	15	16	10	65 <sup>15</sup>
Residential Overlay Pattern Road	206,000 <sup>16</sup> Maximum density = 26 units/acre	150	30	20	20	10	65 <sup>17</sup>
Medical <sup>18</sup>	40,000	150	40	40	20	50	65
Recreation Open Space	40,000	150	5	40	20	50	30
Education <sup>19</sup>	50,000	45	35	20	13	20	55
Medical-Office Residential	206,000-260,000-300,000	150-150-150	30-30-30	40 <sup>20</sup> -30 <sup>21</sup> -30 <sup>22</sup>	20 <sup>11</sup> -20 <sup>12</sup> -10 <sup>13</sup> -10 <sup>14</sup>	20 <sup>15</sup> -20 <sup>16</sup> -10 <sup>17</sup> -10 <sup>18</sup>	97.97-65
Railroad Right-of-Way Overlay District	None <sup>23</sup>	None <sup>23</sup>	None <sup>23</sup>	None <sup>23</sup>	None <sup>23</sup>	None <sup>23</sup>	20
East School Multi-Family Overlay District	20,000	Frontage 150 Width 100	50 <sup>24</sup>	40 <sup>25</sup>	11 <sup>26</sup>	30 <sup>27</sup>	40 <sup>28</sup>
North Elementary School Overlay District	106,000	Frontage 50 Width 50	20 <sup>29</sup>	Front 20 <sup>30</sup>	Side 10 <sup>31</sup>	Rear 30 <sup>32</sup>	30 <sup>33</sup>

(1) Except 40,000 feet for all non-residential uses

(2) See 5.3.4 (Reserved)

(3) Portion of lot devoted to structure

(4) Except that no part of a building may be placed within 15' of any street.

(5) Plus 2,500 for each dwelling unit over one in a structure

(6) 30' three or more dwelling units

(7) 150' for three or more dwelling units

(8) A minimum distance of ten (10') feet between buildings on adjacent lots in Residence A and B must be maintained.

(9) Except for buildings on corner lots or in corner regions

(10) Except for pools which shall have a ten (10') foot minimum rear setback requirement (5-12-86)

(11) Residential uses in the Medical District shall conform to the requirements specified herein for the Residence R District

(12) No setback required where abutting public open or recreational space (5-7-50)

(13) Retaining walls over four (4') feet in height are permitted within the required front, side, and rear setbacks in the Medical-Office-Residential District

(14) Minimum Space between principal buildings on the same lot is ten (10') feet.

(15) Fences or structures of six (6') feet in height or less and retaining walls of four (4') feet in height or less are excluded from front, side, and rear setback requirements except retaining walls over four (4') feet in height are permitted in the Medical-Office-Residential District in Note (13)

(16) Except that there shall be a setback requirement of the property abutting the subject lot line is owned by the same person or entity that is using the property in the Railroad and Right-of-Way Overlay District

(17) Property in the Railroad and Right-of-Way District shall not be used in calculating or otherwise complying with the frontage, lot size, percent lot coverage or setback requirements of an abutting property

(18) For lots 11-17

(19) Height may be increased to 85 feet by Special Permit from Planning Board

(20) A flagpole, retaining wall of no greater than six (6') in height, ramp, driveway or bulkhead from the ground level to the basement are all excluded from the setback requirements

(21) A garage, chimney or appurtenance necessary to a residential structure and use allowed under this Section 4-20 are all excluded from this height limitation, but in no event may they be greater than fifty-five feet (55') in height

(22) A garage, chimney or appurtenance necessary to a multi-family residential structure and use allowed under this Section 4-21 are all excluded from this height limitation, but in no event may they be greater than fifty-five feet (55') in height

(23) 10% of Lot Area shall be open space

(24) Except for town houses 25% coverage provided however that the lot size is 60,000 square feet or greater

(25) Twenty-five (25') feet for town houses provided however that the lot size is 60,000 square feet or greater

The Code of the Town of Stoneham, Massachusetts (04/2013)

15-58

**August Niewenhous, Chairman  
Stoneham Planning Board**

**Article 2.** Voted that the Town amend the Stoneham Town Code, Chapter 15, zoning By-law by amending the Zoning Map and Section 4.3.3.1(h) and Section 5.2.1 Table One Dimensional Requirements as follows:

1.) by amending the Zoning Map of the Town of Stoneham to add to the Residence B District the following described property at 42 Pleasant Street:

Beginning at a point on the Northerly side of Pleasant Street being the Southwesterly lot corner of the subject property; thence

N 24°41'00" E

Thirty-three and 00/100 (33.00) feet; thence

N 61°44'00" W	Thirty and 64/100 (30.64) feet; thence
N 13°03'10" E	Three Hundred Forty and 42/100 (340.42) feet; thence
N 17°52'10" E	Sixteen and 00/100 (16.00) feet; thence
S 76°07'55" E	Eighty-three and 39/100 (83.39) feet; thence
S 86°53'47" E	Eighty-nine and 75/100 (89.75) feet; thence

by a curve with a radius of One thousand, One hundred Twenty-five and 23/100 (1,125.23) feet and an arc length of One hundred Twenty-one and 17/100 (121.17) feet; thence

S 12°53'45" W	Two Hundred Seventy-five and 09/100 (275.09) feet; thence
N 52°21'50" W	Fifty-three and 82/100 (53.82) feet; thence
S 37°38'10" W	Eighty-six and 18/100 (86.18) feet; thence
N 52°21'50" W	Ninety-four and 84/100 (94.84) feet along Pleasant Street to the Point of Beginning

The above described property contains 75,891 square feet of land, and

2.) by amending Section 4.3.3.1(h) to read as follows: Section 4.3.3.1(h) If there is more than one (1) such structure on a lot of record, there shall be at least sixty (60) feet between each structure except for town houses where there shall be at least forty-five (45) feet between each structure. The only exception may be that no more than three (3) buildings may each be interconnected by a covered walkway or breezeway for reasons of convenience and shelter from the elements, if such walkway, in the opinion of the Planning Board and the Board of Selectmen, shall not impair services to the buildings by emergency vehicles or equipment. Such buildings so interconnected shall be deemed as separate and individual buildings for the purposes of administering the Rules and Regulations Governing the Subdivision of Land for the Town of Stoneham. (5-1-95, Art. 11) and,

3.) and by amending Section 5.2.1 Table One - Dimensional Requirements as attached:

## Section 5.2.1

TABLE ONE - DIMENSIONAL REQUIREMENTS

District	Minimum Lot Size in Square Feet	Frontage & Lot Width in Feet <sup>1</sup>	Percent Coverage <sup>2</sup>	Minimum Setback in Feet		Height in Feet
				Front	Side <sup>3</sup>	
Residence A	10,000 <sup>5</sup>	90	30	20	10 <sup>6</sup>	15 <sup>7</sup> (15)
Residence B	7,000 <sup>8</sup> (3)	75 <sup>9</sup>	20 <sup>10</sup>	15 <sup>11</sup>	10 <sup>12</sup> (5)	15 <sup>13</sup> (14,25)
Neighborhood Business	10,000	100	50	15	15	15
Business	None Required	None Required	75	15	10	15
Central Business	None Required	None Required	100	None	None	4 <sup>14</sup>
Highway Business	10,000	100	25	20 <sup>15</sup>	5	5
Commercial	20,000	100	75	15	10	16
Residential Overlay - Fallon Road	200,000 <sup>16</sup> Maximum density - 20 units/acre	150	30	20	20	65 <sup>17</sup>
Medical <sup>18</sup>	40,000	150	40	40	20	65
Recreation/Open Space	40,000	150	5	40	20	30
Education <sup>19</sup>	50,000	45	35	20	13	20
Medical Office/Residential	200,000/200,000/200,000	150/150/150	30/30/30	40 <sup>20</sup> , 30 <sup>21</sup> /30 <sup>11</sup>	20 <sup>15</sup> /20 <sup>15</sup> /10 <sup>13</sup> (14)	20 <sup>16</sup> /20 <sup>15</sup> /10 <sup>13</sup> (14)
Railroad Right-of-Way Overlay District	None <sup>22</sup>	None <sup>23</sup>	75 <sup>24</sup>	5(0-5)	5 <sup>18</sup> (5)	5 <sup>19</sup> (5)
East School Multi-Family Overlay District	20,000	Frontage - 130 Width - 130	50	40 <sup>25</sup>	10 <sup>26</sup>	30 <sup>26</sup> 40 <sup>21</sup>
North Elementary School Overlay District	100,000	Frontage - 50 Width - 40	20	Front 20 <sup>20</sup> Side 10 <sup>20</sup>	Side 10 <sup>20</sup>	Rear 30 <sup>20</sup> 40 <sup>21</sup>

(1) Except 40,000 feet for all non-residential uses.

(2) See 5.3.4 (Reserves)

(3) Portion of lot devoted to structure.

(4) Except that no part of a building may be placed within 15' of any street.

(5) Plus 7.500 for each dwelling unit over one in a structure

(6) 30' for three or more dwelling units

(7) 150' for three or more dwelling units

(8) A minimum distance of ten (10') feet between buildings on adjacent lots in Residence A and B must be maintained.

(9) Except 15' for freestanding pole or ground signs.

(10) Except for pools which shall have a ten (10') foot minimum rear setback requirement. (5-12-96)

(11) Residential uses in the Medical District shall conform to the requirements specified herein for the Residence B District.

(12) No setback required where abutting public open or recreational space. (5-7-98)

(13) Retaining walls over four (4') feet in height are permitted within the required front, side, and rear setbacks in the Medical Office/Residential District.

(14) Minimum Space between principal buildings on the same lot is ten (10') feet

(15) Fences as structures of six (6') feet in height or less and retaining walls of four (4') feet in height or less are excluded from front, side, and rear setback requirements except retaining walls over four (4') feet in height are permitted in the Medical/Office Residential District in Note (13)

(16) Except that there shall not be a setback requirement if the property abutting the subject lot line is owned by the same person or entity that is using the property in the Railroad Right-of-Way Overlay District

(17) Property in the Railroad Right-of-Way District shall not be used in calculating or otherwise complying with the frontage, lot size, percent lot coverage or setback requirements of an abutting property

(Art. 11, 4-7-09)

(18) Height may be increased to 85' feet by Special Permit from Planning Board.

(19) Height may be increased to 80' feet by Special Permit from the Planning Board.

(20) A flagpole, retaining wall of no greater than five feet (5') in height, ramp, stairway or bulkhead from the ground level to the basement are all excluded from the setback requirements.

(21) A cupola, chimney or appurtenance accessory to a residential structure and use allowed under this Section 4.20 are all excluded from this height limitation, but in no event may they be greater than fifty-five (55') in height.

(22) A cupola, chimney or appurtenance accessory such multi-family residential structure and use allowed under this Section 4.21 are all excluded from this height limitation, but in no event may they be greater than fifty-five feet (55') in height.

(23) 10% of Lot Area shall be open space

(24) Except for town houses 25% coverage provided however that the lot size is 60,000 square feet or greater.

(25) Twenty-five (25') feet for town houses provided however that the lot size is 60,000 square feet or greater

**2/3 Vote Required****2/3 Passes Per Moderator****Motion for Reconsideration****Cannot be Reconsidered**

**Article 3** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds, the sum of \$10,000.00 to the budget of the Stoneham Public Library in order to replace outdated computer, printer and IT equipment or do anything in relation thereto.

**Stoneham Public Library  
Board of Trustees**

**Article 3.** Voted that the subject matter of article 3 be indefinitely postponed.

**Passes Per Moderator  
Indefinitely Postponed**

**Article 4** To see if the Town will vote to amend the Stoneham Town Code, as follows:

1. Amend Chapter 13 Streets and Sidewalks by adding Section 13-11A Water Discharge On Public Ways and Property, as follows:

13-11A.1 No person, including an owner, tenant or occupant of a building, structure or real property, shall pump, pipe, channel or otherwise place or direct water in such a manner as to cause it to flow onto a public way or other public property so as to create stagnant water, icing, a dangerous driving or pedestrian condition, any other safety hazard, or damage to Town property.

13-11A.2 This bylaw may be enforced by the Town as set out in Section 1-4 and 1-4A of the Stoneham Town Code.

2.	Amend Chapter 1 General Provisions, by amending Section 1-4A, as follows: Add the following to Section 1-4A:
Section	Subject
Chap. 13A – Sec. 11A	Water Discharge On Public Ways and Property
period	Enforcing Person Director of Public Works
	Fine
	First Offense in 36-month period -Written Warning
	Second Offense in 36-month period - \$50
	Third and each subsequent Offense in 36-month - \$200

**Stoneham Public Works**

**Article 4.** Voted that the subject matter of Article 4 be indefinitely postponed.

**Passes Per Moderator**  
**Indefinitely Postponed**

**Meeting Dissolved at 8:25 PM**

## Election Results

APRIL 7, 2015 ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION TALLY								
Board of Selectmen	Pct. 1	Pct. 2	Pct. 3	Pct. 4	Pct. 5	Pct. 6	Pct. 7	Totals
Blanks	105	97	158	101	182	120	110	873
Thomas H. Boussy	129	179	233	186	219	278	234	1458
Robert W. Sweeney	1/6	195	204	123	234	149	176	1257
Caroline Colaruso	210	260	369	302	439	343	320	2243
Erin C. Sinclair	187	206	228	130	250	149	209	1359
Write-in	3	1	2	2	2	5	1	16
<b>Total</b>	<b>810</b>	<b>938</b>	<b>1194</b>	<b>844</b>	<b>1326</b>	<b>1044</b>	<b>1050</b>	<b>7206</b>
								7206
School Committee	Pct. 1	Pct. 2	Pct. 3	Pct. 4	Pct. 5	Pct. 6	Pct. 7	Totals
Blanks	300	301	414	290	481	382	348	2616
Marie T. Christie	251	325	387	279	419	328	348	2337
Shawn M. McCarthy	255	309	381	271	417	327	352	2312
Write-in	4	3	12	4	9	7	2	41
<b>Total</b>	<b>810</b>	<b>938</b>	<b>1194</b>	<b>844</b>	<b>1326</b>	<b>1044</b>	<b>1050</b>	<b>7206</b>
								7206
Board of Assessors	Pct. 1	Pct. 2	Pct. 3	Pct. 4	Pct. 5	Pct. 6	Pct. 7	Totals
Blanks	118	138	168	132	196	170	162	1084
Craig J. Celli	285	330	422	287	463	348	362	2497
Write-in	2	1	7	3	4	4	1	22
<b>Total</b>	<b>405</b>	<b>469</b>	<b>597</b>	<b>422</b>	<b>663</b>	<b>522</b>	<b>525</b>	<b>3603</b>
								3603
Board of Health	Pct. 1	Pct. 2	Pct. 3	Pct. 4	Pct. 5	Pct. 6	Pct. 7	Totals
Blanks	132	150	187	135	211	178	178	1171
John J. Scullin	272	319	407	287	449	338	343	2415
Write-in	1	0	3	0	3	6	4	17
<b>Total</b>	<b>405</b>	<b>469</b>	<b>597</b>	<b>422</b>	<b>663</b>	<b>522</b>	<b>525</b>	<b>3603</b>
								3603
Moderator	Pct. 1	Pct. 2	Pct. 3	Pct. 4	Pct. 5	Pct. 6	Pct. 7	Totals
Blanks	31	36	48	37	76	60	60	348
Lawrence M. Means	208	221	307	222	334	269	258	1819
F. John Carino	165	212	241	162	253	191	205	1429
Write-in	1	0	1	1	0	2	2	7
<b>Total</b>	<b>405</b>	<b>469</b>	<b>597</b>	<b>422</b>	<b>663</b>	<b>522</b>	<b>525</b>	<b>3603</b>
								3603
Constable	Pct. 1	Pct. 2	Pct. 3	Pct. 4	Pct. 5	Pct. 6	Pct. 7	Totals
Blanks	412	417	549	398	678	526	469	3449
David B. Luciano	217	285	338	225	347	276	209	1987
Robert E. Moreira	220	281	361	244	370	279	305	2060
Robert W. Nardore	221	269	337	241	346	297	309	2020
Brian M. Johnston	145	155	202	158	243	182	193	1278
Write-in	0	0	4	0	5	6	0	15
<b>Total</b>	<b>1215</b>	<b>1407</b>	<b>1791</b>	<b>1266</b>	<b>1989</b>	<b>1566</b>	<b>1575</b>	<b>10809</b>
								10809
Library Trustees	Pct. 1	Pct. 2	Pct. 3	Pct. 4	Pct. 5	Pct. 6	Pct. 7	Totals
Blanks	313	300	420	298	470	375	343	2519
Jane F. Francis	249	322	391	275	421	343	356	2357
Marina C. Memmo	241	316	381	271	431	324	348	2312
Write-in	7	0	2	0	4	2	3	18
<b>Total</b>	<b>810</b>	<b>938</b>	<b>1194</b>	<b>844</b>	<b>1326</b>	<b>1044</b>	<b>1050</b>	<b>7206</b>
								7206
Planning Board	Pct. 1	Pct. 2	Pct. 3	Pct. 4	Pct. 5	Pct. 6	Pct. 7	Totals
Blanks	83	106	126	94	125	135	101	770
Terrence P. Dolan	188	195	255	182	238	193	208	1459
Albert L. Lanzilli	133	168	215	146	299	191	216	1368
Write-in	1	0	1	0	1	3	0	6
<b>Total</b>	<b>405</b>	<b>469</b>	<b>597</b>	<b>422</b>	<b>663</b>	<b>522</b>	<b>525</b>	<b>3603</b>
								3603
Housing Authority	Pct. 1	Pct. 2	Pct. 3	Pct. 4	Pct. 5	Pct. 6	Pct. 7	Totals
Blanks	57	70	89	67	105	102	77	567
Kevin C. McLaughlin	189	248	299	191	299	209	239	1674
Carol Mustone	158	151	206	164	259	209	208	1355
Write-in	1	0	3	0	0	2	1	7
<b>Total</b>	<b>405</b>	<b>469</b>	<b>597</b>	<b>422</b>	<b>663</b>	<b>522</b>	<b>525</b>	<b>3603</b>
								3603

### Minutes for Annual Town Meeting Tuesday, April 7, 2015

To either of the Constables of the Town of Stoneham in the County of Middlesex,

GREETING:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Stoneham qualified to vote in elections and Town affairs to meet in the Town Hall, 35 Central Street, on Tuesday, April 7, 2015, at seven o'clock in the forenoon to act on the following articles of this warrant:

**Article 1.** To choose the following officers:

Two (2) Selectman for three (3) years. Thomas H. Boussy & Caroline Colarusso

Two (2) School Committee Members for three (3) years. Marie Christie & Shawn McCarthy

One (1) Board of Health Member for three (3) years. John J. Scullin

One (1) Planning Board Member for five (5) years. Terrence P. Dolan

One (1) Board of Assessors Member for three (3) years. Craig J. Celli

One (1) Housing Authority Member for five (5) years. Kevin C. McLaughlin

Two (2) Library Trustees for three (3) years. Jane F. Francis & Marina C. Memmo

Three (3) Constables for three (3) years. Robert Moreira, Robert Nardone & David Luciano

One (1) Moderator for two (2) years. Lawrence M. Means

For consideration of the following Articles, the meeting shall be adjourned to meet in the Town Hall at 7:00 o'clock in the evening on Monday, May 4, 2015, in accordance with provisions of Article II, section 2-3 of the By-Laws of the Town of Stoneham.

Tellers were appointed and the checklist showed that 177 voters were in the meeting. Moderator Larry Means welcomed our newest Selectman Caroline Colarusso and invited her to lead the Pledge of Allegiance. Moderator Means recognized the passing of firefighter Eric Bernat with a moment of silence. He acknowledged former Selectmen, Moderator, State Representative and Conservation Commission member Daniel Towse being on the cover of the 2014 Annual Report in memoriam. Thank you to Bruce Netton who maintains the organ. John Phipps was the guest organist and he played his song for us "The Stoneham Town March". The meeting was called to order in the Town Hall Auditorium at 7:04 PM and the reading of the warrant was waived.

**Article 2.** To choose all other necessary Town officers for the ensuing year in such a manner as the Town may determine.

**Board of Selectmen**

**Article 2.** Voted that the town choose all other necessary Town officers for the ensuing year in such a manner as the Town may determine.

**Passes Per Moderator**

**Article 3.** To hear the reports of Town officers and committees and to act thereon and to choose committees.

**Board of Selectmen**

**Article 3.** Voted to hear the reports of Town officers and committees and to act thereon and to choose committees.

**Passes per Moderator**

Open Space & Recreation Committee member William Previdi gave a report of their committee's work over the past year. Anthony Wilson, the Chairman of the Stoneham Tri-Community Bike/Greenway Committee gave an update on the bike/greenway project.

**Article 4.** To see if the Town will vote to fix the salaries of the several elective officers and the Boards of the Town for the 2015/2016 fiscal year.

Town Moderator	\$0
Board of Assessors	\$1,200

Board of Selectmen	\$3,000
Town Clerk	\$67,295

**Board of Selectmen**

**Article 4.** Voted that the Town fix the salaries of the several elective officers and the Boards of the Town for the 2015/2016 fiscal year.

Town Moderator	\$0
Board of Assessors	\$1,200
Board of Selectmen	\$3,000
Town Clerk	\$67,295

**Passes Per Moderator**

**Article 5.** To see if the Town will vote to amend the Stoneham Town Code, Chapter 15, Zoning By-law to add to the Highway Business District the following described property:

Parcel A

A certain parcel of land in Stoneham, MA situated on the easterly side of Albion Avenue bounded and described as follows:

Beginning at the southeast corner of the parcel at 9 Albion Avenue;

Thence running S 72° - 05' - 36" W a distance of 15.81 feet to a point;

Thence turning and running N 10 ° - 49' - 54" W a distance of 50.78 feet and 43.42 feet through the land at 9 Albion Avenue and 11 Albion Avenue respectively to a point;

Thence turning and running S 20° - 30' - 46" E a distance of 122.50 feet by land now or formerly of 211 Main LLC to the point of beginning.

Containing an area of 737 square feet and shown as Parcel A on a plan entitled Plan of Land 9 & 11 Albion Avenue Stoneham, Mass. Scale 1' = 20' dated February 19, 2015 by Benchmark Survey

**Charles F. Houghton**  
15 Kimball Drive

**Article 5.** Voted that the Town amend the Stoneham Town Code, Chapter 15, Zoning By-law to add to the Highway Business District the following described property:

Parcel A

A certain parcel of land in Stoneham, MA situated on the easterly side of Albion Avenue bounded and described as follows:

Beginning at the southeast corner of the parcel at 9 Albion Avenue;

Thence running S 72° - 05' - 36" W a distance of 15.81 feet to a point;

Thence turning and running N 10 ° - 49' - 54" W a distance of 50.78 feet and 43.42 feet through the land at 9 Albion Avenue and 11 Albion Avenue respectively to a point;

Thence turning and running S 20° - 30' - 46" E a distance of 93.59 feet by land now or formerly of 211 Main LLC to the point of beginning.

Containing an area of 737 square feet and shown as Parcel A on a plan entitled Plan of Land 9 & 11 Albion Avenue Stoneham, Mass. Scale 1' = 20' dated February 19, 2015 by Benchmark Survey

**Motion to Move the Question**  
**Question is Moved**  
**%Vote Required**  
**%Vote Passes Per Moderator**  
**Motion for Reconsideration**  
**Cannot be Reconsidered**

**Article 6.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate from taxation or by transfer from available funds, such sums as may be necessary to defray Town charges for the ensuing year, including debt and interest and a reserve fund, or do anything in relation thereto.

**Board of Selectmen**

**Article 6.** Voted that the town indefinitely postpone the subject matter of Article No. 6.

**Passes Per Moderator**  
**Article is Indefinitely Postponed**

**Article 7.** To see if the Town will To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Stoneham School Committee to enter into a lease with the SEEM collaborative for the property known as the Old Central School, 25 William Street, for a period of time up to and including ten (10) years, or to take any other action thereon.

**School Committee**

**Article 7.** Voted that the town authorize the Stoneham School Committee to enter into a lease with the SEEM collaborative for the property known as the Old Central School, 25 William Street, for a period of time up to and including ten (10) years, or do anything in relation thereto.

**Passes Unanimous**

Prior to reading the motion for Article 8, Selectman Tom Boussy asked for Reconsideration on Article 6 and it was voted down. Article 6 cannot be reconsidered.

**Article 8.** To see if the Town will vote to reauthorize a revolving fund under Massachusetts General Law Chapter 44, Section 53E1/2, for the purpose of using receipts generated from renting space at the senior center building to help pay the cleaning, utilities and maintenance costs of the senior center, and authorize expenditures by the Council on Aging Director, not to exceed \$30,000 during the Fiscal Year 2016 which may be made from such fund. In addition, to transfer any balance remaining on June 30, 2015 from the existing Revolving account into the reauthorized Revolving account, or do anything in relation thereto.

**Board of Selectmen**

**Article 8.** Voted that the town reauthorize a revolving fund under Massachusetts General Law Chapter 44, Section 53E1/2, for the purpose of using receipts generated from renting space at the senior center building to help pay the cleaning, utilities and maintenance costs of the senior center, and authorize expenditures by the Council on Aging Director, not to exceed Thirty Thousand (\$30,000) during the Fiscal Year 2016 which may be made from such fund. In addition, to transfer any balance remaining on June 30, 2015 from the existing Revolving account into the reauthorized Revolving account.

**Passes Unanimous**

When Selectmen Boussy was reading the motion for Article 9 Moderator Means asked the town meeting body if there was any objection in taking articles 9, 10 & 11 and voting under general consent. As the subject matter is similar the town meeting body would vote all three at once. Seeing no objection, one vote was taken for all three articles.

**Article 9.** To see if the Town will vote to reauthorize a revolving fund under Massachusetts General Law Chapter 44, Section 53E1/2, for the purpose of using receipts generated from fees charged for outings and transportation services at the senior center to cover costs associated with these outings and providing these transportation services, and authorize expenditures by the Council on Aging Director, not to exceed \$40,000 during Fiscal Year 2016 which may be made from such fund. In addition, to transfer any balance remaining on June 30, 2015 from the existing Revolving account into the reauthorized Revolving account, or do anything in relation thereto.

**Board of Selectmen**

**Article 9.** Voted that the town reauthorize a revolving fund under Massachusetts General Law Chapter 44, Section 53E1/2, for the purpose of using receipts generated from fees charged for outings and transportation services at the senior center to cover costs associated with these outings and providing these transportation services, and authorize expenditures by the Council on Aging Director, not to exceed Forty Thousand dollars (\$40,000) during Fiscal Year 2016 which may be made from such fund. In addition, to transfer any balance remaining on June 30, 2015 from the existing Revolving account into the reauthorized Revolving account.

**Passes Unanimously**

**Article 10.** To see if the Town will vote to reauthorize a revolving fund under Massachusetts General Law Chapter 44, Section 53E1/2 for the purpose of using receipts generated from renting space at the Fire Station to pay the utility, cleaning and maintenance costs, and capital improvements of the Fire station, and authorize expenditures by the Fire Chief, not to exceed \$40,000 during Fiscal Year 2016 which may be made from such fund. In addition, transfer any balance remaining on June 30, 2015 from the existing Revolving account into the reauthorized Revolving account, or do anything in relation thereto.

**Board of Selectmen**

**Article 10.** Voted that the Town reauthorize a revolving fund under Massachusetts General Law Chapter 44, Section 53E1/2 for the purpose of using receipts generated from renting space at the Fire Station to pay the utility, cleaning and maintenance costs, and capital improvements of the Fire station, and authorize expenditures by the Fire Chief, not to exceed Forty Thousand Dollars (\$40,000) during Fiscal Year 2016 which may be made from such fund. In addition, transfer any balance remaining on June 30, 2015 from the existing Revolving account into the reauthorized Revolving account.

**Passes Unanimously**

**Article 11.** To see if the Town will vote to reauthorize a revolving fund under Massachusetts General Law Chapter 44, Section 53E1/2 for the purpose of using receipts generated from fees charged for public health services to cover the costs of these services, and authorize expenditures by the Board of Health, not to exceed \$50,000 during Fiscal Year 2016 which may be made from such fund. In addition, transfer any balance remaining on June 30, 2015 from the existing Revolving account into the reauthorized Revolving account, or do anything in relation thereto.

**Board of Selectmen**

**Article 11.** Voted that the Town reauthorize a revolving fund under Massachusetts General Law Chapter 44, Section 53E1/2 for the purpose of using receipts generated from fees charged for public health services to cover the costs of these services, and authorize expenditures by the Board of Health, not to exceed Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000) during Fiscal Year 2016 which may be made from such fund. In addition, transfer any balance remaining on June 30, 2015 from the existing Revolving account into the reauthorized Revolving account.

**Passes Unanimously**

**Article 12.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds, or borrow, a sum of money to pay prior year invoices, or do anything in relation thereto.

**Board of Selectmen**

**Article 12.** Voted that the Town indefinitely postpone the subject matter of Article No. 12

**Passes Unanimously**  
**Article is Indefinitely Postponed**

**Article 13.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds, a sum of money to amend the Fiscal Year 2015 departmental budgets approved under Article No. 21 of May 5, 2014 Annual Town Meeting, as amended, or do anything in relation thereto.

**Board of Selectmen**

**Article 13.** Voted that the Town amend various Fiscal year 2015 departmental budgets approved under Article No. 21 of May 5, 2014 Annual Town Meeting, as amended (as shown in Exhibit B).

**MAY 4, 2015 ANNUAL TOWN MEETING**  
**ARTICLE #13-(EXHIBIT B)**

DEPARTMENT	FY15 BUDGET			5/4/15 ATM ADJUSTMENTS			REVISED FY15 BUDGET		
	PERSONNEL	OPERATING	TOTAL	PERSONNEL	OPERATING	TOTAL	PERSONNEL	OPERATING	TOTAL
114 Town Moderator	\$0	\$220	\$220	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$220	\$220
122 Board of Selectmen	\$73,253	\$10,000	\$83,253	\$4,500	\$0	\$4,500	\$77,753	\$10,000	\$87,753
123 Town Administrator	\$324,319	\$42,500	\$366,819	\$120	\$20,000	\$20,120	\$324,439	\$62,500	\$386,939
132 Reserve Fund	\$0	\$5,165	\$5,165	\$0	(\$41,000)	(\$41,000)	\$0	\$10,852	\$10,852
135 Town Accountant	\$169,674	\$1,550	\$171,224	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$169,674	\$1,550	\$171,224
141 Board of Assessors	\$132,801	\$4,300	\$137,101	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$132,801	\$4,300	\$137,101
145 Treasurer	\$242,883	\$18,510	\$261,393	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$242,883	\$18,510	\$261,393
151 Town Counsel	\$109,090	\$8,725	\$116,815	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$109,090	\$6,725	\$115,815
155 GIS/MIS	\$107,817	\$122,453	\$230,070	(\$9,900)	\$0	(\$9,900)	\$97,717	\$122,453	\$220,170
161 Town Clerk	\$122,676	\$5,450	\$128,126	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$122,676	\$5,450	\$128,126
162 Elections & Registrations	\$72,811	\$20,100	\$92,911	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$72,811	\$20,100	\$92,911
172 Whipple Park	\$0	\$10,950	\$10,950	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$10,950	\$10,950
182 Planning Bd/BOA/Conserv.	\$43,543	\$1,160	\$44,703	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$43,543	\$1,160	\$44,703
185 Economic and Comm. Dev.	\$30,412	\$42,500	\$72,912	\$1,010	\$0	\$1,010	\$31,422	\$42,500	\$73,922
192 Public Property Maint.	\$500	\$80,612	\$81,112	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$500	\$80,812	\$81,112
210 Police Department	\$3,404,406	\$249,770	\$3,654,176	(\$5,000)	\$5,000	\$0	\$3,399,406	\$254,770	\$3,654,176
211 Traffic Directors	\$135,128	\$4,500	\$139,628	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$135,128	\$4,500	\$139,628
212 Dispatchers	\$375,860	\$7,010	\$383,470	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$375,860	\$7,810	\$383,470
220 Fire Department	\$2,648,223	\$119,650	\$2,767,873	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$2,648,223	\$119,650	\$2,767,873
241 Building & Wire	\$181,818	\$8,900	\$186,518	\$12,000	\$0	\$12,000	\$193,616	\$8,900	\$200,516
291 Civil Defense	\$2,000	\$0	\$2,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$2,000	\$0	\$2,000
300 Public Schools	\$0	\$25,022,305	\$25,022,305	\$0	\$0	\$0	0	\$25,022,305	\$25,022,305
397 North Shore Vocational	\$0	\$347,175	\$347,175	\$0	(\$75,000)	(\$75,000)	0	272,175	272,175
398 Minuteman Voc. School	\$0	\$55,000	\$55,000	\$0	(\$13,000)	(\$13,000)	\$0	\$42,000	\$42,000
399 Northeast Voc. School	\$0	\$1,099,192	\$1,099,192	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$1,099,192	\$1,099,192
400 Public Works Admin.	\$752,451	\$971,900	\$1,724,351	\$134,000	\$37,445	\$171,445	\$886,451	\$1,009,345	\$1,695,796
440 Sewer	\$831,625	\$4,593,485	\$5,225,090	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$831,625	\$4,593,485	\$5,225,090
450 Water	\$552,503	\$3,704,622	\$4,257,125	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$552,503	\$3,704,622	\$4,257,125
510 Board of Health	\$136,500	\$1,840	\$138,340	\$4,025	\$0	\$4,025	\$140,525	\$1,840	\$142,365
541 Council on Aging	\$98,812	\$30,827	\$129,639	(\$7,000)	\$7,000	\$0	\$91,812	\$37,827	\$129,639
543 Veterans	\$39,876	\$171,899	\$211,375	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$39,876	\$171,899	\$211,375
610 Public Library	\$545,134	\$198,850	\$743,994	\$3,800	\$0	\$3,800	\$546,934	\$196,850	\$747,784
630 Unicorn Golf	\$157,701	\$282,374	\$440,075	(\$18,000)	\$0	(\$18,000)	\$139,701	\$282,374	\$422,075
631 Arena	\$169,622	\$265,280	\$434,902	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$189,622	\$265,280	\$434,902
710 Maturing Debt & Interest	\$0	\$4,986,125	\$4,986,125	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$4,986,125	\$4,986,125
911 Contributory Pension	\$0	\$4,788,848	\$4,785,848	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$4,788,848	\$4,785,848
912 Health Insurance	\$0	\$7,678,762	\$7,678,762	\$0	(\$60,000)	(\$60,000)	\$0	\$7,618,762	\$7,618,762
919 Unclassified	\$21,003	\$1,370,000	\$1,391,003	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$21,003	\$1,370,000	\$1,391,003
920 Non-Departmental	\$0	\$37,085	\$37,085	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$37,085	\$37,085
<b>Total Budgets:</b>	<b>\$11,281,839</b>	<b>\$56,412,461</b>	<b>\$67,694,300</b>	<b>\$119,555</b>	<b>(119,555)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>11,401,394</b>	<b>\$6,292,906</b>	<b>\$67,694,300</b>

**Said Sum to be raised or transferred as follows:**

Revenue of the Current Year	\$56,694,306		\$56,694,306
By transfer from the Cemetery Perpetual Income Fund	\$35,000		\$35,000
By transfer from the Sale of Lots & Graves Res. For Approp.	\$36,000		\$36,000
By transfer from the Sale of Dog License Fund	\$8,000		\$8,000
By transfer from the Whip Hill Trust	\$10,000		\$10,000
By transfer from the BOS Stockwell Trust	\$3,500		\$3,500
By transfer from the RCN/Verizon Operating Cable Funds	\$32,500		\$32,500
By transfer from the 225 Fallon Road Fund	\$82,912		\$82,912
By transfer from Surplus Revenue (Free Cash)	\$84,757		\$84,757
By transfer from the Estimated Sewer Receipts to			
Department #440 Sewer Department	\$4,608,389		\$4,608,389
Department #710 Debt Service	\$92,400		\$92,400
Department #135 Town Accountant	\$14,246		\$14,246
Department #145 Town Treasurer	\$21,748		\$21,748
Department #155 MIS/GIS Department	\$18,310		\$18,310
Department #911 Contributory Pension	\$226,207		\$226,207
Department #812 Health Insurance	\$132,294		\$132,294
Department #819 Unclassified Budget	\$75,158		\$75,158
By transfer from Sewer Retained Earnings	\$616,681		\$616,681
By transfer from the Estimated Water Receipts to			
Department #450 Water Department	\$3,784,778		\$3,784,778
Department #710 Debt Service	\$273,638		\$273,638
Department #135 Town Accountant	\$11,489		\$11,489
Department #145 Town Treasurer	\$17,559		\$17,559
Department #155 MIS/GIS Department	\$14,767		\$14,767
Department #911 Contributory Pension	\$197,864		\$197,864
Department #812 Health Insurance	\$92,385		\$92,385
Department #819 Unclassified Budget	\$57,247		\$57,247
By transfer from Water Retained Earnings	\$472,347		\$472,347
<b>Total Estimated Revenues</b>	<b>\$67,694,300</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>\$67,694,300</b>

Surplus/(Deficit)

\$0

\$0

\$0

**Passes Unanimously**

**Article 14.** To see if the Town will vote to use a sum of money released by the Board of Assessors from the overlay account for an HVAC engineering study for the police station, or do anything in relation thereto.

**Board of Assessors**

**Article 14.** Voted that the town Transfer Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000) from the Overlay Surplus to be used for an HVAC engineering study for the police station.

**Passes Unanimously**

**Article 15.** To see if the Town will appropriate a sum of Two Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$200,000) and any monies left over from Article 9 Part A of the October 2012 Town Meeting to purchase a Fire Pumper Engine and the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, be authorized to sell from time to time, as the occasion requires, town notes, bonds, or other evidence of indebtedness in the amount not to (exceed) \$650,000 in accordance with Chapter 44, Section 7(1) of the Massachusetts General Laws.

**Board of Selectmen**

**Article 15.** Moved that the Town vote to appropriate a sum of Six Hundred Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$625,000) to purchase a Fire Pumper Engine and the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, be authorized to sell from time to time, as the occasion requires, town notes, bonds, or other evidence of indebtedness in the amount not to (exceed) Six Hundred Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$625,000) in accordance with Chapter 44, Section 7 of the Massachusetts General Laws and, at the same time, rescind Four Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$400,000) from the amount authorized under Article 9 Part A of the October 1, 2012 Special Town Meeting.

A two part amendment was proposed by Finance & Advisory Board member Rachel Meredith-Warren 111 Franklin Street and voted as follows:

Voted that the town rescind Four Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$400,000) from the amount authorized under Warrant Article 9 Part A of the October 1, 2012 Special Town Meeting and also

Voted that the town appropriate a sum of Six hundred Twenty-Five thousand dollars (\$625,000) to purchase a fire engine Pumper and authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, to sell from time to time, as the occasion requires, town notes, bonds, or other evidence of indebtedness in an amount not to exceed Six hundred Twenty-Five thousand Dollars (\$625,000) in accordance with Chapter 44, Section 7 of the Massachusetts General Laws.

**Vote Taken as a Substitute Motion  
Passes per Moderator**

**Article 16.** To see if the Town will vote to grant the Board of Selectmen authority to research, develop and participate in a contract, or contracts, to aggregate the electricity load of the residents and businesses in the Town and for other related services, independently, or in joint action with other municipalities, retaining the right of individual residents and businesses to opt-out of the aggregation, or take any other action relative thereto.

**Board of Selectmen**

**Article 16.** Voted that the Town request the Board of Selectmen to research aggregating the electricity load of the residents and businesses in the Town and for other related services, independently, or in joint action with other municipalities, retaining the right of individual residents and businesses to opt-out of the aggregation, and to report back to Town Meeting on the results of the research and on any recommendations therefrom.

**Passes Unanimously**

**Article 17.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds \$200,000 for the purpose of defraying the cost of constructing water mains or replacing or relining existing water mains, street repairs, hydrant replacement, water meter installations, purchasing equipment, or maintain the water system within the limits of the Town, or do anything in relation thereto.

**Board of Selectmen**

**Article 17.** Voted that the Town indefinitely postpone the subject matter of Article No. 17.

**Motion to Move the Question  
Question is Moved  
Passes per Moderator  
Article is indefinitely Postponed**

**Article 18.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds \$200,000 for the purpose of defraying the cost of construction or rehabilitation of sewer mains, manholes, pump stations or appurtenances, street repairs, purchasing equipment, or maintain the sewer system within the limits of the Town, or do anything in relation thereto.

**Board of Selectmen**

**Article 18.** Voted that the Town indefinitely postpone the subject matter of Article No. 18.

**Passes per Moderator  
Article is indefinitely Postponed**

**Article 19.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to implement certain rehabilitation and construction projects on the Town's sanitary sewer system under Phase 10 of the Massachusetts Water Resources Authority Assistance Program and the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Board of Selectman, be authorized to sell from time to time, as the occasion requires, town notes, bonds, or other evidence of indebtedness in the amount not to exceed \$814,000 in accordance with Chapter 44, Section 7 (1) of the Massachusetts General Laws and further to accept any grants or gifts for those projects or do anything in relation thereto.

**Board of Selectmen**

**Article 19.** Voted that the town raise and appropriate a sum of money to implement certain rehabilitation and construction projects on the Town's sanitary sewer system under Phase 10 of the Massachusetts Water Resources Authority Assistance Program and the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Board of Selectman, be authorized to sell from time to time, as the occasion requires, town notes, bonds, or other evidence of indebtedness in the amount not to exceed \$814,000 in accordance with Chapter 44, Section 7 (1) of the Massachusetts General Laws and further to accept any grants or gifts for those projects.

**Passes Unanimous**

**Article 20.** To see if the Town will vote to increase the appropriation of \$486,167 voted at the October 2014 Town Meeting to \$729,250 to be received by the Town from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Chapter 90 local transportation aid funding for fiscal year 2015 for the purpose of continuing the permanent construction program on public ways within the Town or other eligible municipal projects and authorize the Town Administrator to make such expenditure or do anything in relation thereto.

**Board of Selectmen**

**Article 20.** Voted that the Town amend Article No. 23 of the October 27, 2014 Special Town Meeting by increasing the appropriation previously voted in the amount of Four Hundred Eighty-Six Thousand One Hundred Sixty-Seven Dollars (\$486,167) to Seven Hundred Twenty-Nine Thousand Two Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$729,250) to be received by the Town from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Chapter 90 local transportation aid funding for fiscal year 2015 for the purpose of continuing the permanent construction program on public ways within the Town or other eligible municipal projects and authorize the Town Administrator to make such expenditure.

**Passes Unanimously**

**The Moderator Dissolved the Town Meeting at 9:25PM**

**MINUTES FOR SPECIAL TOWN MEETING  
MONDAY, JUNE 8, 2015**

To either of the Constables of the Town of Stoneham in the County of Middlesex, Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Stoneham qualified to vote in elections and Town affairs to meet in the Town Hall, 35 Central Street, on Monday, June 8, 2015 at 7:00 o'clock in the evening to act upon the following articles of this Warrant:

Tellers were appointed to check the names of voters entering the Town Hall and the checklist showed 100 voters were inside the meeting.

The meeting was called to order by Moderator Lawrence Means at 7:03 PM. He thanked John Phipps for playing the organ. Moderator Lawrence Means led the Pledge of Allegiance and the meeting began.

Moderator Means stated that he didn't want the budget presented with capital stabilization included because this requires a two-thirds vote whereas the budget itself is majority vote. He went on to state that it would be divided into three parts.

**Article 1.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate from taxation or by transfer from available funds, such sums as may be necessary to defray Town charges for the ensuing year, including debt and interest and a reserve fund, or do anything in relation thereto.

**Board of Selectmen**

**Article 1.** Voted that the Town raise and appropriate from taxation or by transfer from available funds, the sum of Sixty-Nine Million Two Hundred Sixty-Six Thousand Six Hundred Ten Dollars (\$69,266,610) to defray Town charges for the ensuing year, including the Town operating budget for the year beginning July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2016; said sum as itemized on Exhibit A.

**Board of Selectmen**

**MAY 4, 2015 ANNUAL TOWN MEETING**  
**ARTICLE #6-(EXHIBIT A)**

DEPARTMENT	FY16 BUDGET		
	PERSONNEL	OPERATING	TOTAL
114 Town Moderator	\$0	\$220	\$220
122 Board of Selectmen	\$80,268	\$10,000	\$90,268
123 Town Administrator	\$330,926	\$42,500	\$373,426
132 Reserve Fund	\$0	\$0	\$0
135 Town Accountant	\$188,119	\$1,550	\$189,669
141 Board of Assessors	\$126,264	\$4,800	\$131,064
145 Treasurer	\$249,428	\$18,350	\$267,778
151 Town Counsel	\$110,732	\$8,725	\$117,457
155 GIS/MIS	\$109,175	\$130,721	\$239,896
161 Town Clerk	\$119,992	\$4,200	\$124,192
162 Elections & Registrations	\$69,311	\$18,100	\$87,411
172 Whiphill Park	\$0	\$10,950	\$10,950
182 Planning Bd/BOA/Conserv.	\$41,543	\$1,160	\$42,703
185 Economic and Comm Dev	\$68,224	\$30,000	\$98,224
192 Public Property Maint.	\$500	\$80,612	\$81,112
210 Police Department	\$3,554,075	\$323,870	\$3,877,945
211 Traffic Directors	\$137,030	\$4,500	\$141,530
212 Dispatchers	\$381,380	\$17,440	\$398,820
220 Fire Department	\$2,716,616	\$124,850	\$2,841,466
241 Building & Wire	\$182,822	\$6,900	\$189,722
291 Civil Defense	\$2,000	\$0	\$2,000
300 Public Schools	\$0	\$25,803,516	\$25,803,516
397 Essex North Shore Agricultural & Technical School	\$0	\$300,000	\$300,000
398 Minuteman Voc. School	\$0	\$50,000	\$50,000
399 Northeast Voc. School	\$0	\$1,076,254	\$1,076,254
400 Public Works Admin.	\$738,719	\$889,700	\$1,628,419
440 Sewer	\$665,877	\$4,591,059	\$5,256,936
450 Water	\$571,558	\$3,599,951	\$4,171,509
510 Board of Health	\$144,023	\$5,140	\$149,163
541 Council on Aging	\$102,193	\$33,500	\$135,693
543 Veterans	\$41,276	\$177,700	\$218,976
610 Public Library	\$553,371	\$207,850	\$761,221
630 Unicorn Golf	\$139,017	\$275,850	\$414,867
631 Arena	\$175,067	\$259,280	\$434,347
710 Maturing Debt & Interest	\$0	\$4,894,305	\$4,894,305
911 Contributory Pension	\$0	\$5,135,261	\$5,135,261
912 Health Insurance	\$0	\$8,058,126	\$8,058,126
918 Capital	\$0	\$0	\$0
919 Unclassified	\$19,079	\$1,416,000	\$1,435,079
920 Non-Departmental	\$0	\$37,085	\$37,085
<b>Total Budgets:</b>	<b>\$11,618,585</b>	<b>\$57,648,025</b>	<b>\$69,266,610</b>

**Said Sum to be raised or transferred as follows:**

Revenue of the Current Year	\$58,334,180
By transfer from the 225 Fallon Road Fund	\$27,088
By transfer from the Cemetery Perpetual Income Fund	\$21,000
By transfer from the Sale of Lots & Graves Res. For Approp.	\$50,000
By transfer from the Sale of Dog License Fund	\$7,077
By transfer from the Whip Hill Trust	\$10,000
By transfer from the BOS Stockwell Trust	\$3,500
By transfer from the RCN/Verizon Operating Cable Funds	\$32,500
By transfer from the Capital Stabilization Fund	\$0
By transfer from the Estimated Sewer Receipts to:	
Department #440 Sewer Department	\$5,256,936
Department #710 Debt Service	\$112,750
Department #135 Town Accountant	\$14,375
Department #145 Town Treasurer	\$22,038
Department #155 MIS/GIS Department	\$19,063
Department #911 Contributory Pension	\$245,863
Department #912 Health Insurance	\$143,641
Department #919 Unclassified Budget	\$82,568
By transfer from the Estimated Water Receipts to:	
Department #450 Water Department	\$4,171,509
Department #710 Debt Service	\$273,836
Department #135 Town Accountant	\$12,122
Department #145 Town Treasurer	\$18,584
Department #155 MIS/GIS Department	\$16,075
Department #911 Contributory Pension	\$211,234
Department #912 Health Insurance	\$114,323
Department #919 Unclassified Budget	\$66,548
<b>Total Estimated Revenues</b>	<b>\$69,266,610</b>

**Majority Vote Required  
 Passes per Moderator**

**Article 1.** Voted that the town transfer One Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$150,000) from capital stabilization to pay down bans of \$741,400 approved at the October 2014 Special Town Meeting.

**⅔ Vote Required  
⅔ Vote Passes Per Moderator**

**Article 1.** Voted that the town transfer Three Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$300,000) out of capital stabilization to fund Department 918 Capital.

**⅔ Vote Required  
⅔ Vote Passes Per Moderator**

**Article 2.** To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$10,000.00 for the purpose of purchasing flu vaccine or anything in relation thereto.

**Board of Health**

**Article 2.** Voted that the subject matter of Article 2 be indefinitely postponed.

**Passes Per Moderator**

**Town Meeting was dissolved at 8:10PM.**

## **MINUTES FOR SPECIAL TOWN MEETING THURSDAY, OCTOBER 22, 2015**

To either of the Constables of the Town of Stoneham in the County of Middlesex, Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Stoneham qualified to vote in elections and Town affairs to meet in the **Town Hall, 35 Central Street**, on

**Thursday, October 22, 2015**

at 7:00 o'clock in the evening to act upon the following articles of this Warrant:

Tellers were appointed to check the names of voters entering the Town Hall and the checklist showed 473 voters were inside the meeting.

Moderator Means introduced School Committee member David Maurer who then introduced Boy Scout Troop 513. Mr. Maurer gave a brief introduction of the troop of 30 young men ranging in age from 11-17 and their accomplishments before they led us in the Pledge of Allegiance. State representative Michael Day was introduced. He read a resolution that had been adopted by the State House of Representatives on October 5, 2015. The resolution recognized the late Daniel C. Towse for all he accomplished from being a former State Representative himself, former Planning Board Member, Selectmen, Town Moderator, Tree Warden, foremost authority on Whip Hill, mainstay at Town Meeting to Conservation Commission member at the time of his passing. The meeting was called to order by Moderator Larry Means at 7:11PM and the warrant was read.

**Article 1.** To see if the Town will vote to petition the Massachusetts General Court (State Legislative) to amend Chapter 26 of the acts of 1981 by inserting in place thereof the following section:

Sec. 20. Precinct Representation

After the passage of this act, the registered voters of the town of Stoneham in each precinct shall, in accordance with any applicable laws, by-laws and votes of the town, elect at the first annual town election and continue to elect by ballot one (1) member from their precinct to serve as a member of the Board of Selectmen, School Committee, Planning Board, Library Trustees, Housing Authority, Finance and Advisory Board, Water Sewer Review Board and Open Space and Recreation Advisory Committee and Capital Improvement Advisory Committee.

Any person seeking office shall have lived in the precinct where office is sought for a minimum of six (6) months prior to town election and shall be subject to recall by registered voters of his precinct.

**Raymie Parker  
42 Bonad Road**

**Article 1.** Voted that the town indefinitely postpone the subject matter of article 1.

**Move the Question**

**Question is Moved  
Passes per Moderator  
Indefinitely Postponed**

**Article 2.** To see is the Town will vote to petition the Massachusetts General Court (State Legislative) to amend Chapter 26 of the acts of 1981 by striking out section 14, as appearing in section 4 of chapter 296 of the acts of 1994, and inserting in place thereof the following section:

Sec. 14. Election of Officers by voters.

After the passage of this act, the registered voters of the town of Stoneham shall, in accordance with any applicable laws, by-laws and votes of the town continue to elect the following officers for the following terms:

Office	Term	Members
a. Moderator	2 yrs.	1
b. Board of Selectmen	3 yrs.	7
c. School Committee	3 yrs.	7
d. Planning Board	5 yrs.	7
e. Board of Health	3 yrs.	3
f. Board of Assessors	3 yrs.	3
g. Library Trustees	3 yrs.	7
h. Representative to northeast metropolitan regional vocation school	4 yrs.	1
i. Housing Authority	5 yrs.	7
j. Constables	3 yrs.	3
k. Town Clerk	3 yrs.	1
l. Finance and Advisory Board	3 yrs.	7
m. Water Sewer Review Board	3 yrs.	7
n. Capital Improvement Advisory Committee	3 yrs.	7
o. Open Space and Recreation Advisory Committee	3 yrs.	7

The powers, duties and responsibilities of elected officials shall be as now or hereafter provided by applicable provisions of general and special laws, by-laws and votes of the town, except as otherwise expressly provided herein.

Such officers shall be available to the administrator for consultation, conference and discussion on matters relating to their respective offices.

**Matt Kilty  
6 Rowe Street**

**Article 2.** **Voted** that the Town indefinitely postpone the subject matter of Article 2.

**Passes per Moderator  
Indefinitely Postponed**

**Article 3.** To see if the Town will vote to amend the Stoneham Town Code, by striking out Chapter 2, Section 2-37.2, Section 2-37.3, Section 2-38 and inserting in place thereof the following section as follows:

Sec. 2-37.2. Open Space and Recreation Advisory Committee; establishment and duties.

(a) *Selection and term of members:* The Open Space and Recreation Advisory Committee shall, after acceptance of this section, consist of all current members of the Open Space and Recreation Advisory Committee, who will, if they so desire, shall serve until the next annual town election regardless of the remaining length of their current elected or appointed term.

After the passage of this section, the registered voters of the town of Stoneham shall, in accordance with any applicable laws, by-laws and votes of the town continue to elect members in accordance with the applicable provisions of Chapter 26 of the Acts and Resolves of 1981 and any subsequent amendment thereto.

(b) *Organizational meeting:* The Committee shall meet for organization purposes not later than thirty (30) days following the annual Town meeting or Town election, whichever occurs first, to elect its officers for a term of 1 year.

(c) *Duties:* The Committee duties shall include: providing advice and recommendations to the appropriate Town officials, both elected and appointed, regarding the open space and recreation needs of the Town including but not limited to the Golf Courses, Arena, all existing and future playgrounds and recreation areas, preparing and updating the Open Space and Recreation Plan, an developing recreational programs and activities for residents of the town.

#### Sec. 2-37.3. Capital Improvement Advisory Committee.

(a) *Selection and term of members:* The Capital Improvement Advisory Committee shall, after acceptance this section, consist of all current members of the Capital Advisory Committee, who will, if they so desire, shall serve until the next annual town election regardless of the remaining length of their current elected or appointed term.

After the passage of this section, the registered voters of the town of Stoneham shall, in accordance with any applicable laws, by-laws and votes of the town continue to elect members in accordance with the applicable provisions of Chapter 26 of the Acts and Resolves of 1981 and any subsequent amendment thereto.

(b) *Organizational meeting:* The Committee shall meet for organization purposes not later than thirty (30) days following the annual Town meeting or Town election, whichever occurs first, to elect its officers for a term of 1 year.

(c) *Duties:* The Committee duties shall include: a study of proposed capital projects and improvements involving major non-recurring tangible assets and projects which:

- (i) are purchased, or undertaken, at intervals of not less than five years;
- (ii) have a useful life of at least three (3) years; and
- (iii) incur a total cost over \$10,000.

The Committee shall provide advice and recommendations to the appropriate Town officials, both elected and appointed, regarding the capital improvement needs of the Town. The Committee shall consider the relative need, impact, timing and cost of these expenditures and the effect each will have on the financial position of the town.

(d) *Reports:* The Committee shall submit to the Town Administrator and Town Clerk a careful, detailed estimate, in writing, of all of the requested capital expenditures of the town government for the ensuing fiscal year and the recommended capital expenditures for the ensuing fiscal year and the next five (5) fiscal years. The Capital Improvement Advisory Committee shall also submit to the Town Administrator and Town Clerk a careful, detailed estimate, in writing of all of the previous capital expenditures, by department, for the previous ten (10) fiscal years.

#### Sec. 2-38. Composition; terms of members.

(a) *Selection and term of members:* The Board of Selectmen shall, after acceptance this section, consist of all current members of the Board of Selectmen, who will, if they so desire, shall serve until the next annual town election regardless of the remaining length of their current elected or appointed term.

After the passage of this section, the registered voters of the town of Stoneham shall, in accordance with any applicable laws, by-laws and votes of the town continue to elect members in accordance with the applicable provisions of Chapter 26 of the Acts and Resolves of 1981 and any subsequent amendment thereto.

(b) *Organizational meeting:* The Board of Selectmen shall meet for organization purposes not later than thirty (30) days following the annual Town meeting or Town election, whichever occurs first, to elect its officers for a term of 1 year.

(c) *Communication:* The Chairman of the Board of Selectmen will be the liaison between the Board of Selectmen and all Town employees, boards, officers, committees, Ombudsman, and departments of the town. No action, request, policy or communication, or decision shall be deemed official unless communicated through the Chairman of the Board of Selectmen in writing and signed by a majority of the Board of Selectmen. Communications sent by electronic mail will be deemed in compliance with this requirement if the

entire Board of Selectmen are copied and the Chairman specifically notes the members in agreement within the body of the electronic mail.

**Raymie Parker**  
42 Bonad Road

**Article 3.** **Voted** that the subject matter of Article 3 be indefinitely postponed.

**Passes per Moderator**  
**Indefinitely Postponed**

Paul Means 199 William Street made a motion for reconsideration of articles 1, 2 & 3. Michelle Meagher of 15 Pine Street objected procedurally but Moderator Means said the objection was unfounded. Motion for reconsideration for Articles 1, 2 & 3 passed. Those articles could not be reconsidered.

Moderator Means asked for consent to take Articles 12 & 15 before the budget article comes up. The Town Meeting body consented.

**Article 15.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds, or borrow, a sum of money for painting the Fire Station trim as required by the preservation restriction granted to the Massachusetts Historical Commission at Town Meeting of May 7 and 10, 2007 (Article 28), or to do anything in relation thereto.

**Historical Commission**

**Article 15.** **Voted** that the Town appropriate Thirty Thousand Two Hundred Dollars (\$30,200) for the painting of the Fire Station trim as required by the preservation restriction granted to the Massachusetts Historical Commission at the Town Meeting of May 7 and 10, 2007 (Article No. 28). Said sum to be transferred from Surplus Revenue.

**Passes per Moderator**

Moderator Means had Stoneham Police officer Joe Ponzo remove Bill McCabe 24 Stevens Street from the meeting while he was speaking on Article 12 and asked that this removal be reflected in the minutes.

**Article 12.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds, or borrow, a sum of money for various capital purchases, or to do anything in relation thereto.

**Board of Selectmen**

**Article 12.** **Voted** that the Town appropriate Two Hundred Eighty-Four Thousand Dollars (\$284,000) for the following capital purchases:

Police Station HVAC Improvements	\$34,000
DPW Trucks and Equipment	\$250,000

Said sum to be transferred from Surplus Revenue.

**Motion made by Devon Manchester, 13 Beacon Street, on behalf of the Finance & Advisory Board as follows:**

**Moved** that the town strike out the appropriation of \$284,000 and insert \$74,000 and strike out DPW Trucks and Equipment \$250,000 and insert DPW Truck \$40,000.

**Amendment Fails per Moderator**  
**Vote on Main Motion**  
**Passes per Moderator**  
**Motion for Reconsideration**  
**Cannot be Reconsidered**

**Article 4.** To see if the Town will authorize the Board of Selectmen to accept as a gift from Jeff Cataldo, Trustee of 105 Central Street Condominium Trust, a sewer easement shown on a plan entitled "Sewer Easement Plan of 105 Central Street in Stoneham, Massachusetts," prepared by P.J.F. and Associates dated September 8, 2015, more particularly bounded and described as follows:

Beginning at a point Three Hundred Forty-Three and Thirty-Five Hundredths (343.35') feet from the easterly side of Central Street thence;

S 85° 32' 31" E a distance of ten and Twenty-One Hundredths (10.21') feet by land now or formerly the Town of Stoneham thence; N 16° 01' 00" E a distance of Ten and Twenty-One Hundredths (10.21') feet thence; N 85° 32' 31" W a distance of Four and Eighty-Three Hundredths (4.83') feet thence; N 7° 25' 20" E a distance of Nine and Fifty-Seven Hundredths (9.57') feet thence; S 16° 01' 00" W a distance of Nineteen and Twenty-Seven Hundredths (19.27') feet to the point of beginning.

The Town Administrator and Board of Selectmen are hereby authorized to take any action necessary to accept a gift of the above described sewer easement or to take any other action thereon.

**School Committee**

**Article 4.** **Voted** that the Town authorize the Board of Selectmen to accept as a gift from Jeff Cataldo, Trustee of 105 Central Street Condominium Trust, a sewer easement shown on a plan entitled "Sewer Easement Plan of 105 Central Street in Stoneham, Massachusetts," prepared by P.J.F. and Associates dated September 8, 2015, more particularly bounded and described as follows:

Beginning at a point Three Hundred Forty-Three and Thirty-Five Hundredths (343.35') feet from the easterly side of Central Street thence;

S 85° 32' 31" E a distance of Ten and Twenty-One Hundredths (10.21') feet by land now or formerly the Town of Stoneham thence; N 16° 01' 00" E a distance of Ten and Twenty-One Hundredths (10.21') feet thence;

N 85° 32' 31" W a distance of Four and Eighty-Three Hundredths (4.83') feet thence;

N 7° 25' 20" E a distance of Nine and Fifty-Seven Hundredths (9.57') feet thence;

S 16° 01' 00" W a distance of Nineteen and Twenty-Seven Hundredths (19.27') feet to the point of beginning.

The Town Administrator and Board of Selectmen are hereby authorized to take any action necessary to accept a gift of the above described sewer easement or to take any other action thereon.

**Passes Unanimously**

**Article 5.** **Voted** To see if the Town will vote to abandon and/or discontinue that portion of Summerhill Street containing 231 square feet and shown on a plan entitled "Alteration Plan of Land" dated March 23, 2015, revised April 2, 2015, prepared by Medford Engineering & Survey and described as follows:

Beginning at the Northwesterly corner of the parcel of land at a point thirty three and 41/100 (33.41'), from a stone bound on Summer Street; thence running;

Southeasterly: by Lot 4A, S 34-10-53 E, a distance of thirty eight and 82/100 feet (38.82'), to a point at Summerhill Street;

Northeasterly: by Summerhill Street, N 57-29-27 W, a distance of five and 66/100 feet (5.66'), to a point;

Northwesterly: by Summerhill Street, N 32-30-33 W, a distance of thirty one and 16/100 feet (31.16'), to a point;

Northwesterly: by Summerhill Street, N 44-35-03 W, a distance of four and 19/100 feet (4.19'), to a point;

Northwesterly: by Summerhill Street, N 73-39-14 W, a distance of four and 71/100 feet (4.71'), to a point;

Southwesterly: by Summerhill Street, S 57-29-27 W, a distance of two and 83/100 feet (2.83'), to the point of beginning.

Said abandoned or discontinued area contains 231 square feet of land and is shown on plan entitled "Alteration Plan of Land" dated March 23, 2015, revised April 2, 2015, prepared by Medford Engineering & Survey.

Or to act in any other manner in relation thereto.

**Board of Selectmen**

**Article 5.** **Voted** that the town abandon and/or discontinue that portion of Summerhill Street containing 231 square feet and shown on a plan entitled "Alteration Plan of Land" dated March 23, 2015, revised April 2, 2015, prepared by Medford Engineering & Survey and described as follows:

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Said abandoned or discontinued area contains 231 square feet of land and is shown on plan entitled "Alteration Plan of Land" dated March 23, 2015, revised April 2, 2015, prepared by Medford Engineering & Survey.

**Passes Unanimously**

**Article 6.** To see if the Town will vote to transfer the care, custody, management, and control of a parcel of land, said property being a portion of the layout of Summerhill Street and abutting 58 Summerhill Street to the Board of Selectmen for purpose of sale of said land, and further authorize the Board of Selectmen and/or Town Administrator to take any action necessary for said sale or do anything in relation thereto. Said parcel of land being described as follows:

Beginning at the Northwesterly corner of the parcel of land at a point thirty three and 41/100 (33.41'), from a stone bound on Summer Street; thence running;

Southeasterly: by Lot 4A, S 34-10-53 E, a distance of thirty eight and 82/100 feet (38.82'), to a point at Summerhill Street;  
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Northwesterly: by Summerhill Street, N 73-39-14 W, a distance of four and 71/100 feet (4.71'), to a point;  
Southwesterly: by Summerhill Street, S 57-29-27 W, a distance of two and 83/100 feet (2.83'), to the point of beginning.

Said Alteration Area contains 231 square feet of land and is shown on plan entitled "Alteration Plan of Land" dated March 23, 2015, revised April 2, 2015, prepared by Medford Engineering & Survey

**Charles F. Houghton  
15 Kimball Drive**

**Article 6.** Voted that the Town transfer the care, custody, management, and control of a parcel of land, said property being a portion of the layout of Summerhill Street and abutting 58 Summerhill Street to the Board of Selectmen for purpose of sale of said land, and further authorize the Board of Selectmen and/or Town Administrator to take any action necessary for said sale or do anything in relation thereto. Said parcel of land being described as follows:

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Said Alteration Area contains 231 square feet of land and is shown on plan entitled "Alteration Plan of Land" dated March 23, 2015, revised April 2, 2015, prepared by Medford Engineering & Survey

**Passes Unanimously**

**Article 7.** To see if the Town of Stoneham will vote to amend portions of Section 6.7 of the Town of Stoneham Zoning By-Laws by amending or adding the following sections of said Zoning By-law with deletions shown as strikeouts and amendments shown as underlined;

### Section 6.7.6 Permitted Signs

(e) Off-Premise and billboard signs are permitted by special Permit in the Commercial I and Commercial III Zoning Districts subject to the procedures and requirements in Section 6.7.8.

#### 6.7.8 Off-Premise and billboard sign:

6.7.8.1 Applications: Off-Premise and billboard signs (hereinafter also referred to as "signs" in this Section 6.7.8) shall be permitted in the Commercial I and Commercial III Zoning Districts only by grant of a Special Permit issued by the Planning Board. Special permits may be limited to a term of years specified by the Planning Board. Any person desiring a Special Permit under this section shall submit a Special Permit application to the Planning Board together with a filing fee of \$2,500.00 and ten (10) copies of the application materials as outlined below:

6.7.8.2 Dimensional Restrictions and Design Guidelines: All signs shall be in compliance with the following requirements:

1. Signs shall be permitted in the Commercial I and Commercial III Zoning Districts, provided, however, that no sign shall be located further than 100' from any interstate highway layout or on a lot containing less than three (3) acres in area;
7. a.) There shall be no more than for each one thousand five hundred (1500) linear feet one sign along the interstate highway layout in the Commercial I Zoning District. This calculation shall be based on the Zoning Map and such calculation shall be submitted by the Applicant to the Planning Board as part of the application materials;
- b.) There shall be no more than one sign along the interstate highway layout in the Commercial III Zoning District.

And further to amend the dimensional chart for signs, currently located following Section 6.7.7.8 of Zoning Bylaws, by adding the below chart for the Commercial I and Commercial III Zones. Said chart to be in addition to the existing dimensional chart for Commercial I, II, III. And further to move all said dimensional charts to follow this new amended Section 6.7.8.

#### Commercial I and Commercial III

Sign Type Allowed	Special Permit Required	Max Sign Area	Max Height in Feet	Front and Rear Setback	Side Setback	Max Number	Comment
Off-premise & billboard signage - Permitted in Commercial I and Commercial III Districts only	Y	672 SF per sign face - Not to exceed 14'x48' per sign face	The top of the sign shall be no greater than 50' above the elevation of the interstate Highway immediately adjacent thereto  The bottom of the sign shall be no greater than 70' in height from the normal grade as calculated pursuant to Section 6.7.3.3 of these Zoning Bylaws	40' other than a sign facing an Interstate Highway for which there is no setback requirement  *no more than 100' from Interstate Highway Layout •	40' other than a sign facing an Interstate Highway for which there is no setback requirement  *no more than 100' from Interstate Highway Layout •	See Section 6.7.8	See Section 6.7.8 for additional restrictions and guidelines

This article shall be conditioned upon and subject to a Development Agreement being entered into by the Town through its Board of Selectmen and Town Administrator, or to act in any other manner in relation thereto.

A copy of the current Section 6.7.8 Off Premise and Billboard Sign and a copy of 6.7.8 as amended by this article is available at the Town Clerk's office for review.

### Planning Board

**Article 7.** **Voted** that the Town of Stoneham will vote to amend portions of Section 6.7 of the Town of Stoneham Zoning By-Laws by amending or adding the following sections of said Zoning By-law with deletions shown as strikeouts and amendments shown as underlined;

#### Section 6.7.6 Permitted Signs

(e) Off-Premise and billboard signs are permitted by special Permit in the Commercial I and Commercial III Zoning Districts subject to the procedures and requirements in Section 6.7.8.

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7. a.) There shall be no more than ~~for each one thousand five hundred (1500) linear feet one sign along the interstate highway layout in the Commercial I Zoning District. This calculation shall be based on the Zoning Map and such calculation shall be submitted by the Applicant to the Planning Board as part of the application materials;~~  
b.) There shall be no more than one sign along the interstate highway layout in the Commercial III Zoning District.

And further to amend the dimensional chart for signs, currently located following Section 6.7.7.8 of Zoning Bylaws, by adding the below chart for the Commercial I and Commercial III Zones. Said chart to be in addition to the existing dimensional chart for Commercial I, II, III. And further to move all said dimensional charts to follow this new amended Section 6.7.8.

#### Commercial I and Commercial III

Sign Type Allowed	Special Permit required	Max Sign Area	Max Height Feet	Front and rear Setback	Side Setback	Tax Number	Comment
Off-premise & billboard signage - Permitted in Commercial I <u>and</u> Commercial III Districts only	Y	672 SF per sign face- Not to exceed 14'x48' per sign face	The top of the sign shall be no greater than 50' above the elevation of the interstate Highway immediately adjacent thereto  The bottom of the sign shall be	40' other than a sign facing an Interstate Highway for which there is no setback requirement  *no more than 100' from Interstate Highway	40' other than a sign facing an Interstate Highway for which there is no setback requirement  *no more than 100' from Interstate Highway	See Section 6.7.8	See Section 6.7.8 for additional restrictions and guidelines

		no greater then 70' in height from the normal grade as calculated pursuant to Section 6.7.3.3 of these Zoning Bylaws	Layout •	Layout •		
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This article shall be conditioned upon and subject to a Development Agreement entered into by the Town through its Board of Selectmen and Town Administrator.

**%Vote Required**  
**%Vote Passes per Moderator**  
**Motion for Reconsideration**  
**Cannot be Reconsidered**

**Article 8.** To see if the Town will vote to amend the amount to be raised and appropriated under Article No. 1 of the June 8, 2015 Special Town Meeting and adjust the Fiscal Year 2016 departmental budgets and funding sources (as described in Exhibit A), or to do anything in relation thereto.

**Board of Selectmen**

10/26/2015

**OCTOBER 22, 2015 SPECIAL TOWN MEETING**  
**ARTICLE #8-(EXHIBIT A)**

DEPARTMENT	FY16 BUDGET (PER 6/8/15 STM)			10/22/15 STM ADJUSTMENTS			REVISED FY16 BUDGET		
	PERSONNEL	OPERATING	TOTAL	PERSONNEL	OPERATING	TOTAL	PERSONNEL	OPERATING	TOTAL
114 Town Moderator	\$0	\$220	\$220				\$0	\$0	\$220
122 Board of Selectmen	\$80,268	\$10,000	\$90,268				\$0	\$80,268	\$0,000
123 Town Administrator	\$330,926	\$42,500	\$373,426	\$10,000			\$10,000	\$340,926	\$42,500
132 Reserve Fund	\$0	\$0	\$0				\$50,000	\$0	\$50,000
135 Town Accountant	\$188,119	\$1,550	\$189,669	\$30,000			\$30,000	\$218,119	\$1,550
141 Board of Assessors	\$126,264	\$4,800	\$131,064				\$0	\$126,264	\$4,800
145 Treasurer	\$249,428	\$18,350	\$267,778				\$0	\$249,428	\$8,350
151 Town Counsel	\$110,732	\$6,725	\$117,457				\$0	\$110,732	\$6,725
155 GIS/MIS	\$109,175	\$130,721	\$239,896				\$0	\$109,175	\$130,721
161 Town Clerk	\$119,992	\$4,200	\$124,192				\$0	\$119,992	\$4,200
162 Elections & Registrations	\$69,311	\$18,100	\$87,411				\$0	\$69,311	\$18,100
172 Whipple Hill Park	\$0	\$10,050	\$10,050				\$0	\$0	\$10,050
182 Planning Bd/BOA/Conserv.	\$41,543	\$1,160	\$42,703				\$0	\$41,543	\$1,160
185 Economic and Comm Dev	\$68,224	\$30,000	\$88,224				\$0	\$88,224	\$30,000
192 Public Property Maint.	\$500	\$80,612	\$81,112				\$0	\$500	\$80,612
210 Police Department	\$3,554,075	\$323,870	\$3,877,945	\$28,000	\$62,000	\$88,000	\$3,580,075	\$385,870	\$3,965,945
211 Traffic Directors	\$137,030	\$4,500	\$141,530				\$0	\$137,030	\$4,500
212 Dispatchers	\$381,380	\$17,440	\$398,820				\$0	\$381,380	\$17,440
220 Fire Department	\$2,716,616	\$124,850	\$2,841,466	\$40,000		\$40,000	\$2,756,616	\$124,850	\$2,881,466
241 Building & Wire	\$182,822	\$6,900	\$189,722				\$0	\$182,822	\$6,900
291 Civil Defense	\$2,000	\$0	\$2,000				\$0	\$2,000	\$0
300 Public Schools	\$0	\$25,803,518	\$25,803,518				\$52,000	\$0	\$25,855,518
397 Essex North Shore Agricultural & T	\$0	\$300,000	\$300,000				\$0	\$0	\$300,000
398 Minuteman Voc. School	\$0	\$50,000	\$50,000				\$0	\$0	\$50,000
399 Northeast Voc. Schoo	\$0	\$1,076,254	\$1,076,254				\$0	\$0	\$1,076,254
400 Public Works Admin.	\$738,719	\$889,700	\$1,628,419	\$103,713		\$103,713	\$842,432	\$889,700	\$1,732,132
440 Sewer	\$665,877	\$4,591,059	\$5,256,936	(\$564,545)	(\$45,439)	(\$510,984)	\$801,332	\$4,545,626	\$5,146,952
450 Water	\$571,558	\$3,599,951	\$4,171,509	(\$539,168)		(\$539,168)	\$532,390	\$3,598,951	\$4,132,341
510 Board of Health	\$144,023	\$5,140	\$149,163				\$0	\$144,023	\$5,140
541 Council on Aging	\$102,193	\$33,500	\$135,693				\$0	\$102,193	\$33,500
542 Recreation Department	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$30,000	\$18,000	\$48,000	\$30,000	\$7,6,000	\$48,000
543 Veterans	\$41,276	\$177,700	\$218,976				\$0	\$41,276	\$177,700
610 Public Library	\$553,371	\$207,850	\$761,221				\$0	\$553,371	\$207,850
630 Unicorn Golf	\$139,017	\$275,850	\$414,867				\$0	\$139,017	\$275,850
631 Arena	\$175,067	\$259,280	\$434,347				\$0	\$175,067	\$259,280
710 Maturing Debt & Interest	\$0	\$5,044,305	\$5,044,305				(\$339,006)	(\$339,006)	\$4,705,299
911 Contributory Pension	\$0	\$5,135,261	\$5,135,261				\$0	\$0	\$5,135,261
912 Health Insurance	\$0	\$8,058,126	\$8,058,126				(\$396,713)	(\$396,713)	\$7,661,413
918 Capital	\$0	\$300,000	\$300,000				\$23,000	\$23,000	\$323,000
919 Unclassified	\$19,079	\$1,416,000	\$1,435,079				\$0	\$19,079	\$1,416,000
920 Non-Departmental	\$0	\$37,085	\$37,085				\$0	\$0	\$37,085
<b>Total Budgets.</b>	<b>\$11,618,585</b>	<b>\$58,098,025</b>	<b>\$69,716,610</b>	<b>\$136,000</b>	<b>(\$576,158)</b>	<b>(\$440,158)</b>	<b>\$11,754,585</b>	<b>\$57,521,867</b>	<b>\$69,276,452</b>

**Said Sum to be raised or transferred as follows:**

Revenue of the Current Year	\$58,334,180		\$58,334,180
By transfer from the 225 Fallon Road Fund	\$27,068		\$27,088
By transfer from the Cemetery Perpetual Income Fund	\$21,000		\$21,000
By transfer from the Sale of Lots & Graves Res. For Approp	\$50,000		\$50,000
By transfer from the Sale of Dog License Fund	\$7,077		\$7,077
By transfer from the Whip Hill Trust	\$10,000		\$10,000
By transfer from the BOS Stockwell Trust	\$3,500		\$3,500
By transfer from the RCN/Verizon Operating Cable Funds	\$32,500		\$32,500
By transfer from the Capital Stabilization Fund	\$450,000		\$450,000
By transfer from Surplus Revenue	\$0		\$48,000
By transfer from the Estimated Sewer Receipts to			
Department #440 Sewer Department	\$5,256,936		\$5,146,952
Department #710 Debt Service	\$112,750		\$28,380
Department #135 Town Accountant	\$14,375		\$14,375
Department #145 Town Treasurer	\$22,038		\$22,038
Department #155 MIS/GIS Department	\$19,063		\$19,063
Department #911 Contributory Pension	\$245,863		\$245,863
Department #912 Health Insurance	\$143,641		\$143,641
Department #919 Unclassified Budget	\$82,568		\$82,568
By transfer from the Estimated Water Receipts to			
Department #450 Water Department	\$4,171,509		\$4,132,341
Department #710 Debt Service	\$273,636		\$19,000
Department #135 Town Accountant	\$12,122		\$12,122
Department #145 Town Treasurer	\$18,584		\$18,584
Department #155 MIS/GIS Department	\$16,075		\$16,075
Department #911 Contributory Pension	\$211,234		\$211,234
Department #912 Health Insurance	\$114,323		\$114,323
Department #919 Unclassified Budget	\$66,548		\$66,548
<b>Total Estimated Revenues</b>	<b>\$69,716,610</b>	<b>(\$440,158)</b>	<b>\$69,276,452</b>
<b>Surplus/(Deficit)</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

Motion to amend made by Shelly MacNeill, 6 Beacon Street, Chair of the School Committee:

Move to amend Exhibit A of Article 8 as follows:

- a) for line 300, replace \$52,000 in columns 5 and 6 with \$85,000
- b) for line 300, replace \$25,855,516 in columns 8 and 9 with \$25,888,516
- c) for line 912, replace (\$396,713) in columns 5 and 6 with (\$429,713)
- d) for line 912, replace \$7,661,413 in columns 8 and 9 with \$7,628,413

**Vote on Amendment  
Amendment Passes**

**Article 8.** Voted that the Town amend the amount to be raised and appropriated under Article No. 1 of the June 8, 2015 Special Town Meeting and adjust the Fiscal Year 2016 departmental budgets and funding sources (as described in Exhibit A as amended by School Committee Amendment).

**OCTOBER 22, 2015 SPECIAL TOWN MEETING**  
**ARTICLE #8-(EXHIBIT A)**

DEPARTMENT	FY16 BUDGET (PER 6/8/15 STM)			10/22/15 STM ADJUSTMENTS			REVISED FY16 BUDGET		
	PERSONNEL	OPERATING	TOTAL	PERSONNEL	OPERATING	TOTAL	PERSONNEL	OPERATING	TOTAL
114 Town Moderator	\$0	\$220	\$220	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$220	\$220
122 Board of Selectmen	\$80,268	\$11,000	\$91,268	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$80,268	\$10,000	\$90,268
123 Town Administrator	\$330,926	\$42,500	\$373,426	\$10,000	\$10,000	\$20,000	\$340,926	\$42,500	\$383,426
132 Reserve Fund	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$50,000	\$50,000	\$0	\$50,000	\$50,000	\$50,000
135 Town Accountant	\$188,119	\$1,560	\$189,679	\$30,000	\$30,000	\$0	\$218,119	\$1,550	\$219,666
141 Board of Assessors	\$126,264	\$4,800	\$131,064	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$126,264	\$4,800	\$131,064
145 Treasurer	\$249,426	\$16,350	\$267,776	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$249,426	\$18,050	\$267,776
151 Town Counsel	\$110,732	\$6,722	\$117,457	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$110,732	\$6,725	\$117,457
155 GIS/MIS	\$120,175	\$19,721	\$139,996	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$120,175	\$19,721	\$139,996
161 Town Clerk	\$119,692	\$4,200	\$124,192	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$119,692	\$4,200	\$124,192
162 Elections & Registrations	\$89,311	\$18,100	\$107,411	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$89,311	\$18,100	\$87,411
172 Wmophil Park	\$0	\$10,950	\$10,950	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$10,950	\$10,950	\$10,950
186 Planning & ZD/AC/Conserv.	\$41,146	\$1,100	\$42,246	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$41,146	\$1,100	\$42,246
188 Economic and Comm Dev	\$66,224	\$30,000	\$96,224	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$66,224	\$30,000	\$96,224
192 Public Property Maint.	\$500	\$96,812	\$87,112	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$500	\$86,812	\$87,112
210 Police Department	\$3,554,075	\$23,870	\$3,577,945	\$28,000	\$62,000	\$88,000	\$3,580,075	\$36,870	\$3,665,945
211 Traffic Directors	\$137,030	\$4,500	\$141,530	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$137,030	\$4,500	\$141,530
212 Dispatchers	\$361,380	\$17,445	\$398,820	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$381,380	\$17,440	\$398,820
220 Fire Department	\$271,816	\$124,850	\$400,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$275,816	\$124,850	\$288,148
241 Building & Wse	\$182,822	\$6,900	\$189,722	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$182,822	\$6,900	\$189,722
291 Govt. Defense	\$2,000	\$0	\$2,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$2,000	\$0	\$2,000
300 Public Schools	\$0	\$25,803,518	\$25,823,516	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$25,886,516	\$25,886,516
391 Essex North Shore Agricultural & Technical School	\$0	\$300,000	\$300,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$300,000	\$300,000
398 Minuteman Voc. School	\$0	\$50,000	\$50,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$50,000	\$50,000
399 Northeast Voc. School	\$0	\$107,254	\$175,254	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$107,254	\$107,254
400 Public Works Admin.	\$738,79	\$868,700	\$1,625,419	\$103,713	\$103,713	\$0	\$842,432	\$889,700	\$1,732,132
449 Sewer	\$865,877	\$4,591,059	\$5,256,938	(\$64,545)	(\$45,419)	(\$109,984)	\$601,332	\$4,545,820	\$5,148,052
450 Water	\$571,558	\$3,598,951	\$4,171,509	(\$99,168)	(\$99,168)	(\$1,341,168)	\$532,390	\$3,599,95*	\$4,132,341
510 Board of Health	\$144,025	\$5,140	\$149,163	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$44,023	\$5,140	\$149,163
541 Council on Aging	\$102,195	\$33,500	\$135,693	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$102,193	\$33,500	\$135,693
542 Recreation Department	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$30,000	\$18,000	\$48,000	\$0	\$30,000	\$18,000
543 Veterans	\$41,176	\$177,700	\$218,876	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$41,276	\$171,700	\$219,876
510 Public Library	\$553,371	\$207,850	\$761,221	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$550,371	\$207,850	\$761,221
500 Union Golf	\$139,017	\$276,000	\$414,067	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$139,017	\$276,000	\$414,067
531 Parks	\$175,007	\$266,200	\$443,207	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$175,007	\$266,200	\$443,207
710 Outstanding Debt & Interest	\$0	\$5,045,305	\$5,044,305	(\$1,16,275)	(\$1,16,275)	(\$1,16,275)	\$0	\$4,705,299	\$4,725,299
911 Contributory Pension	\$0	\$5,135,281	\$5,135,281	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$5,135,281	\$5,135,281
912 Health Insurance	\$0	\$8,058,128	\$8,058,128	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$7,828,413	\$7,678,413
913 Capital	\$0	\$300,000	\$300,000	\$0	\$20,000	\$20,000	\$0	\$323,000	\$323,000
919 Unclassified	\$19,079	\$1,416,000	\$1,435,079	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$10,079	\$1,416,000	\$1,435,079
920 Non-Departmental	\$0	\$37,085	\$37,085	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$37,085	\$37,085
<b>Total Budgets:</b>	<b>\$11,818,585</b>	<b>\$58,098,025</b>	<b>\$69,716,610</b>	<b>\$186,000</b>	<b>(\$576,158)</b>	<b>(\$440,158)</b>	<b>\$11,754,585</b>	<b>\$57,521,867</b>	<b>\$69,278,452</b>

10/26/2015

**Said Sum to be raised or transferred as follows:**

Revenue of the Current Year	\$58,334,180								
By transfer from the 225 Fallon Road Fund	\$27,088								
By transfer from the Cemetery Perpetual Income Fund	\$21,000								
By transfer from the Sale of Lots & Graves Res. For Approp	\$10,000								
By transfer from the Sale of Dog License Fund	\$7,077								
By transfer from the Wh-p Hill Trust	\$10,000								
By transfer from the BOS Stockwell Trust	\$3,500								
By transfer from the RCM/Verizon Operating Cable Funds	\$37,500								
By transfer from the Capital Stabilization Fund	\$450,000								
By transfer from Surplus Revenue	\$0								
By transfer from the Estimated Sewer Receipts to									
Department #446 Sewer Department	\$526,908								
Department #710 Debt Service	\$112,750								
Department #135 Town Accountant	\$14,375								
Department #145 Town Treasurer	\$22,038								
Department #165 GIS/GIS Department	\$19,063								
Department #911 Contributory Pension	\$245,863								
Department #912 Health Insurance	\$143,641								
Department #919 Unclassified Budget	\$62,588								
By transfer from the Estimated Water Receipts to									
Department #450 Water Department	\$4,171,509								
Department #710 Debt Service	\$275,638								
Department #135 Town Accountant	\$12,122								
Department #145 Town Treasurer	\$18,584								
Department #165 GIS/GIS Department	\$18,075								
Department #911 Contributory Pension	\$211,234								
Department #912 Health Insurance	\$114,323								
Department #919 Unclassified Budget	\$66,548								
<b>Total Estimated Revenues</b>	<b>\$69,716,610</b>								
<b>Surplus/(Deficit)</b>	<b>\$0</b>								

**Vote on Main Motion as Amended  
Passes Unanimously**

**Article 9.** To see if the Town will vote to transfer a sum of money from available funds or Surplus Revenue into the Stabilization Fund, or do anything in relation thereto.

Board of Selectmen

**Article 9.** **Voted** that the Town transfer Two Hundred Twenty-Eight Thousand Nine Hundred Twenty-Five Dollars and Ninety-One Cents (\$228,925.91) from Surplus Revenue into the Stabilization Fund.

**Passes Unanimously**

**Article 10.** To see if the Town will vote to transfer a sum of money from available funds or Surplus Revenue into the Capital Stabilization Fund, or do anything in relation thereto.

**Board of Selectmen**

**Article 10.** **Voted** that the Town transfer Two Hundred Twenty-Eight Thousand Nine Hundred Twenty-Five Dollars and Ninety Cents (\$228,925.90) from Surplus Revenue into the Capital Stabilization Fund.

**Passes Unanimously**

**Article 11.** To see if the Town will vote to transfer Three Thousand Five Hundred One Dollars and Seven Cents (\$3,501.07) from surplus revenue to pay prior year Arena invoices for Zamboni repairs, or do anything in relation thereto.

**Board of Selectmen**

**Article 11.** **Voted** that the Town transfer Three Thousand Five Hundred One Dollars and Seven Cents (\$3,501.07) from surplus revenue to pay prior year Arena invoices for Zamboni repairs.

**Passes Unanimously**

**Article 13.** To see if the Town will vote to transfer Two Hundred Eighty-Seven Thousand Five Hundred Twenty-Five Dollars and Twelve Cents (\$287,525.12) from surplus revenue for the purpose of funding the Fiscal Year 2015 Snow & Ice Deficit of Two Hundred Eighty-Seven Thousand Five Hundred Twenty-Five Dollars and Twelve Cents (\$287,525.12), or do anything in relation thereto.

**Board of Selectmen**

**Article 13.** **Voted** that the Town transfer Two Hundred Eighty-Seven Thousand Five Hundred Twenty-Five Dollars and Twelve Cents (\$287,525.12) from surplus revenue for the purpose of funding the Fiscal Year 2015 Snow & Ice Deficit.

**Passes Unanimously**

**Article 14.** To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$486,963 to be received by the Town from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Chapter 90 local transportation aid funding for fiscal year 2016 for the purpose of continuing the permanent construction program on public ways within the Town or other eligible municipal projects and authorize the Town Administrator to make such expenditure or do anything in relation thereto.

**Board of Selectmen**

**Article 14.** **Voted** that the town appropriate Four Hundred Eighty-Six Thousand Nine Hundred Sixty-Three Dollars (\$486,963) to be received by the Town from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Chapter 90 local transportation aid funding for fiscal year 2016 for the purpose of continuing the permanent construction program on public ways within the Town or other eligible municipal projects and authorize the Town Administrator to make such expenditure.

**Passes Unanimously**

**Article 16.** To see if the Town will vote to amend the duties of the Water and Sewer Review Board.

**Water & Sewer Review Board**

To see if **Article 16.** **Voted** that the Town amend the duties of the Water and Sewer Review board by deleting, from Article 6 of the October 1997 Special Town Meeting:

"Hear water and sewer billing disputes; said board will render to any petitioner a binding decision as to the remedies, if any, in the dispute."

and replacing it with:

"Hear water and sewer billing disputes; said board will make a recommendation to the Town Administrator as to the remedies, if any, and the Town Administrator shall make a binding decision."

And further amend the same article by deleting:

"Hold an annual public hearing at least seven (7) days prior to the annual Town Meeting to receive citizen input on the current year, the proposed budget and the rates for the next fiscal year and any other information as may be requested concerning the water and sewer departments"

And replacing it with

"Hold at least one annual public hearing by March 31, and more if necessary, to receive citizen input on the current year, the proposed budget, and rates for the next fiscal year and any other information as may be requested concerning the water and sewer departments. Said meeting shall be advertised in a local newspaper to give citizens ample notice. Said board shall make a rate recommendation to the Town Administrator prior to Annual Town Meeting"

**Passes Unanimously**

**Article 17.** To see if the town will vote to appropriate \$40,000.00 for the annual software licensing fee for Patriot Properties AssessPro software for Fiscal Years 2016, 2017 and 2018.

**Board of Assessors**

**Article 17.** **Voted** the town appropriate Forty Thousand Dollars (\$40,000) for the annual software licensing fee for Patriot Properties AssessPro software for Fiscal Years 2016, 2017 and 2018. Said sum to be transferred from Overlay Surplus.

**Passes Unanimously**

**Article 18.** To see if the town will vote to appropriate \$34,000 to the Stoneham Assessors Office for the Fiscal Year 2018 triennial recertification of Taxable Personal Property.

**Board of Assessors**

**Article 18.** **Voted** that the Town appropriate Thirty-Four Thousand Dollars (\$34,000) to the Stoneham Assessors Office for the Fiscal Year 2018 triennial recertification of Taxable Personal Property. Said sum to be transferred from Overlay Surplus

**Passes Unanimously**

**Article 19.** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Administrator to enter a lease or license for up to and including nine (9) years, which may include within said nine (9) year period, option years at the Town's option, for the Unicorn Golf Course (460 Williams Street) and the Stoneham Oaks Golf Course (101R Montvale Avenue) (both courses shown on Stoneham Assessors' Map 22 as Parcel 79) and associated facilities/buildings thereon or a contract in excess of three (3) years, to provide professional management, operations and maintenance for said golf course(s), or any portion thereof, and further to authorize and/or request the Board of Selectmen and/or the Town Administrator to take any action that may be required to further the purposes of this article, including any petition(s) the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, including, but not limited to the General Court, as may be so determined by the Board of Selectmen and/or Town Administrator, or do anything in relation thereto.

**Board of Selectmen**

**Article 19.** **Voted** that the town authorize the Town Administrator to enter a lease or license for up to and including nine (9) years, which may include within said nine (9) year period, option years at the Town's option, for the Unicorn Golf Course (460 Williams Street) and the Stoneham Oaks Golf Course (101R Montvale Avenue) (both courses shown on Stoneham Assessors' Map 22 as Parcel 79) and associated facilities/buildings thereon or a contract in excess of three (3) years, to provide professional management, operations and maintenance for said golf course(s), or any portion thereof, and further to authorize and/or request the Board of Selectmen and/or the Town Administrator to take any action that may be required to further the purposes of this article as voted, including any petition(s) the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, including, but not limited to the General Court, as may be so determined by the Board of Selectmen and/or Town Administrator.

**Passes per Moderator**

**Article 20.** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Administrator and/or Board of Selectmen enter into any lease(s), license(s), utility or other easement(s), contract(s) and/or other agreement(s), including, power purchase agreement(s),

renewable energy certificate contract(s), renewable energy project(s), energy management service agreement(s), and/or other agreement(s) or financial instrument(s) related to the development of solar, renewable or alternative energy, on behalf of the Town, whether with private parties and/or other governmental entities, without the necessity of further town meeting approval, on such terms as the Town Administrator and/or Board of Selectmen may determine, including any rights to assign, delegate or sublease any rights under the aforementioned documents, for the purpose of installing and operating solar, renewable or alternative energy facilities, for a period of up to, and including, thirty (30) years, on the Stoneham Arena, including as necessary for the effectuation of the purposes set out herein, a limited portion of the property on which said Stoneham Arena is located at 101 Montvale Avenue, Stoneham or the public rights of way, adjacent thereto. And further to authorize and/or request the Board of Selectmen and/or the Town Administrator to take any action that may be required to further the purposes of this article, including any petition(s) to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, including, but not limited to the General Court, as may be so determined by the Board of Selectmen and/or Town Administrator.

**Board of Selectmen**

**Article 20.** **Voted** that the town authorize the Town Administrator and/or Board of Selectmen enter into any lease(s), license(s), utility or other easement(s), contract(s) and/or other agreement(s), including, power purchase agreement(s), renewable energy certificate contract(s), renewable energy project(s), energy management service agreement(s), and/or other agreement(s) or financial instrument(s) related to the development of solar, renewable or alternative energy, on behalf of the Town, whether with private parties and/or other governmental entities, without the necessity of further town meeting approval, on such terms as the Town Administrator and/or Board of Selectmen may determine, including any rights to assign, delegate or sublease any rights under the aforementioned documents, for the purpose of installing and operating solar, renewable or alternative energy facilities, for a period of up to, and including, thirty (30) years, on the Stoneham Arena, including as necessary for the effectuation of the purposes set out herein, a limited portion of the property on which said Stoneham Arena is located at 101 Montvale Avenue, Stoneham or the public rights of way, adjacent thereto. And further to authorize and/or request the Board of Selectmen and/or the Town Administrator to take any action that may be required to further the purposes of this article as voted, including any petition(s) to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, including, but not limited to the General Court, as may be so determined by the Board of Selectmen and/or Town Administrator.

**Passes Unanimously**

**Article 21.** **To see if the Town will vote to petition the Massachusetts General Court (State Legislature) for and/or in support of a special act to:** (i) dispose by sale, subject to further authorization(s) and requirements that may be included in said special act, a parcel of land located on Lynn Fells Parkway in the Town of Stoneham and currently under the control of the Department of Conservation and Recreation ("department"). The parcel subject to this act contains 25,011± square feet and is described in Certificate of Title No. 225345, in the Middlesex South District Registry of Deeds in Book 1256, Page 195, and is shown as Lot 8 on Land Court Plan 34101-C; (ii) provide that any such conveyance is or may be subject to an easement requiring the grantee to make available maintain at its expense on the parcel a certain number, not greater than ten (10) parking spaces in an accessible location, to be available for use by the public during the hours the Middlesex Fells Reservation is open, as set by said Department, such location to be determined and configured by the grantee, subject to the reasonable approval of said Department; and (iii) direct that no less than five percent (5%) of the consideration received from the sale of the parcel shall be paid to the Town of Stoneham, or do anything in relation thereto.

**Town Administrator**

**Article 21.** **Voted** that the Town indefinitely postpone the subject matter of Article No. 21.

**Passes Unanimous  
Indefinitely Postponed**

**Town Meeting Dissolved at 10:20PM**

**Town Counsel**

I am pleased to offer the following Annual Report concerning the office of the Town Counsel for the Year 2015.

The following cases/matters were disposed of this past year:

*Gordon B. Switzer v. Robert Saltzman, et al. As They Are Members of The Zoning Board of Appeals For The Town of Stoneham and the Town of Stoneham, Middlesex Superior Court, C.A. No. 2013-3621A.* This was an appeal of a Zoning Board of Appeals decision upholding an enforcement order of the Building Inspector regarding a residential property on Main Street, south of Marble Street.

*Martin Wantman v. R. Michael Dufour, et al. as they comprise The Stoneham Zoning Board of Appeals, Cheryl Noble, Building Inspector ... and Weiss Farm, Inc.* (three consolidated cases, arising from decisions/actions of the Zoning Board of Appeals, Middlesex Superior Court, C.A. No. 2010-2164 (Lead Case) consolidated with case numbers 2010-4092 and 2011-2888. Zoning appeals regarding the issue of agricultural use(s) at Weiss Farm.

*Ten Gorham Venue Nominee Trust, Paul J. Maisano, Trustee v. Town of Stoneham, Commonwealth of Massachusetts Department of Transportation, Si Dinh and Kristina Pham,* Middlesex Superior Court, C.A. No. 15 CV 578. Case alleging damages dismissed on procedural/claim presentment grounds.

*Town of Stoneham v. Raymond R. Magliozzi, Jr.*, Middlesex Superior Court, C.A. No. 13-5276. A receivership for the house and property at 12 Hersam Street. The house was taken down for reasons of public safety per approval of the Receiver's motion by the Court. The receivership has been extended into 2016 for purposes of sale of the premises.

*Lumbermen's Mutual Insurance Company v. The Workers' Compensation Trust Fund and The Town of Stoneham*, Massachusetts Division of Industrial Accidents, DIA Nos. 19615-71 and 2502-11. This case arose from claim by Town's former Worker's Compensation insurer for certain cost of living payments the insurer made to a long retired public works employee, which were not reimbursed by the Commonwealth Worker's Compensation Trust Fund after the Town joined MIIA (the Massachusetts Interlocal Insurance Association).

This office was directly involved in a number of development agreements this past year, including with respect to the rezoning and development of 42 Pleasant Street (21 town house condominiums) and the rezoning and related special permit for a digital billboard on the westerly-side of Route 93 by PGG Outdoor LLC (known as Logan Communications). Actions by the office, together with the Chairman of the Board of Selectmen, Tom Boussy, during negotiations, resulted in significant increases in payments to the Town. I note the able and successful initial work on this matter by the Town Administrator.

Significant time and attention was devoted this past year to the RFPs for the management, operations, and maintenance of Unicorn and Stoneham Oaks Golf Courses and the subsequent agreement with Sterling Golf Management, Inc. (Kevin Osgood, President). My thanks to all the members of the golf subcommittee of the Open Space and Recreation Committee, including Committee member Joanne St. Pierre, as well as Bill Previdi, for their hard work and support, and to the Chairman of the subcommittee, Dennis Visconti, and the Town Administrator for their active involvement and support.

This office also continued to work on a number of aspects of the potential property transaction between the Town of Stoneham and John M. Corcoran and Company ("Corcoran") involving Weiss Farm and the Stoneham Oaks Golf Course, and on the proposed 345kV electric line sought by Eversource Energy (NStar Electric), with its partner, National Grid. Both of these matters continued into 2016.

Much time and attention were devoted to the case of *92 Montvale Avenue, LLC (an entity of Cummings Property) v. William Sullivan, et al (members of the Zoning Board of Appeals) and the Town of Stoneham*, Land Court Department 14-MISC-488957. This case involves a proposed LED sign and the proposed operation thereof.

An unusual occurrence this past year, was the filing of a limited number of complaints to the Attorney General's office, alleging violations of the Open Meeting law. (The Open Meeting law was comprehensively revised in 2009.) To date, the Town has successfully responded to the subject complaints on procedural and/or substantive grounds.

My sincere thanks and appreciation to the Board of Selectmen, including its Chairman the past year, Tom Boussy, Town Administrator David Ragucci and other Town officials, department heads and employees. As I have recently written and stated, no one could have asked for or received a more rewarding and wonderful experience than working with and for the Town of Stoneham and the many individuals who make Stoneham a remarkable place to both work and live.

William H. Solomon, Town Counsel

## Town Hall Organ

Stoneham is the only town in America that owns a theatre pipe organ. Once common, ours is one of less than 500 that still exist in the world. For the last 74 years our Mighty Wurlitzer has been played before Town Meetings and at concerts by some of America's greatest organists. A concert excerpt is now available on YouTube - look for Ray Bohr.

Theatre organs are not like church organs. They look, sound, and are played differently. Theatre organs are much more versatile, capable of playing all kinds of music, intended to replace an orchestra. Our organ, a Wurlitzer Hope-Jones Unit Orchestra, has almost 1,000 pipes plus numerous percussions, including cymbals, xylophone, castanets, car horn, and doorbell. It is the largest 2-keyboard organ Wurlitzer ever delivered.

The American Theatre Organ Society (ATOS) has recognized our organ as "of exceptional historic and musical merit, worthy of preservation", only the 55<sup>th</sup> in the country to be so honored.

The Stoneham Organ Society, a nonprofit corporation, under the supervision of Town Organist Bruce Netten, has taken over the maintenance and restoration of the organ, as the town cannot afford to do so. The 90-year-old organ is now undergoing its first major overhaul.

Restoration of our historic Mighty Wurlitzer continued in 2015. Everything in the right pipe chamber was removed and restored. The original leather in over 1,000 pneumatic valves was replaced and the chests that the pipes and percussions sit on were rebuilt.

The whole organ was playing for the May and June, 2015, Town Meetings. After the June meeting the left chamber, above the console on the floor, was taken apart to be rebuilt. Restoration could be completed in 2016 if adequate contributions are received.

If we are able to raise the funds and complete the organ restoration in 2016, the ATOS has agreed to send in, at their expense, experts to maximize the quality of the sound from each of the 1,000 pipes. This is expected to take two weeks, at a total cost to them of about \$10,000. It sure would be nice to be able to take advantage of this most generous offer.

Also, the Eastern Massachusetts Chapter of the ATOS has given us a challenge grant, where they will match contributions up to \$15,000. Tax-deductible donations to match the grant are badly needed by the non-profit Stoneham Organ Society to complete the effort.

When restoration is complete, the organ should play reliably until the end of the century with minimum maintenance. It will be better than new, since mistakes made in its original installation have been corrected. Regular concerts and organ events will then resume, as was done in the past.

Respectfully Submitted by Bruce Netten Town Organist

## Town Planner

### **Mission Statement:**

The mission of the Town Planner Department is to collaborate with residents, town officials and business owners by following best practices of urban planning and development to progress short- and long-range plans that identify and prioritize the needs of the municipality while promoting a well-designed, livable and thriving community.

### **Department Overview:**

The Town Planner Department consists of one employee who provides technical support and information regarding land use and development to all Town Departments, Committees and Boards as requested. Additionally, the Town Planner is responsible for representing the Town of Stoneham at Massachusetts Association of Planning Directors events as well as North Suburban Planning Council and the Metropolitan Area Planning Council meetings.

Below is a list of activities performed by the Town Planner since the re-establishment of the department in FY 2016:

- Stoneham Commercial Improvement Program
- Stoneham Square Strategic Action Plan Advisory Committee
- Stoneham Transportation Subcommittee

- Pop-Up Stoneham
- Tri-Community Greenway support
- Economic Development & Tax Increment Financing
- Compact Community
- Professional Planning Review
- Metropolitan Area Planning Council Executive Council
- Grant Submissions
- Assist with Stoneham Island Beautification Program
- Support the Stoneham Farmers' Market

The Town Planner has worked diligently to collaborate with residents, town officials and business owners by following best practices of urban planning and development to progress short- and long-range plans that identify and prioritize the needs of the municipality while promoting a well-designed, livable and thriving community. The Town Planner created the Stoneham Commercial Improvement Program which allowed downtown businesses to improve its signage, windows and storefront esthetic resulting in over \$30,000 investment by local merchants and property owners. Additionally, the Town Planner created Pop-Up Stoneham which is a summer place-making event series on the Town Common designed to create temporary and inexpensive programs that engage residents, businesses and visitors of all ages while energizing the community. Through these nine events, the Town partnered with the Stoneham YMCA, Council on Aging and Stoneham Theatre as well as offered discounts and coupons to numerous small businesses. Throughout the last year, she contributed guidance and expertise with the Stoneham Square Strategic Action Plan Advisory Committee, Transportation Subcommittee, Metropolitan Area Planning Council Executive Council, Stoneham Island Beautification Program and the Stoneham Farmers' Market. Additionally, she coordinated the logistics of the Tri-Community Greenway, introduced Tax Increment Financing opportunities and successfully obtained Compact Community designation. Finally, the Town Planner coordinates meetings with department heads, petitioners and their attorneys on all special permit and site plan review applications with comments forwarded to the appropriate parties.

Respectfully submitted by Erin Wortman, Town Planner

### **Treasurer/Tax Collector**

The primary function of this office is the management of the Town's funds. We are responsible for depositing all revenue, as well as dispersing all payroll and vendors checks. Investment management and bond indebtedness are also functions of the Treasurer. The objective being that all funds are safe, liquid, and invested daily at the highest possible yield.

For a number of years we have had online bill paying for real estate and personal property tax, excise tax and utility billing through the Town of Stoneham's website. It was effective and worked well but was lacking in certain areas. It wasn't tied into MUNIS, our software, and would provide stale information. In the spring we partnered with Invoice Cloud to take over our online bill payments. As before, we can still pay bills online for real estate, personal property, excise and utility billing using checks or credit cards. But now there are additional benefits. A property owner can now view their bills on line, see their payment history, opted to go paperless, will receive three email reminders during a billing cycle and if they want they can even select to have automatic payments. Invoice Cloud is tied into MUNIS so customers can look online and get up to date information. Since we have started using Invoice Cloud we have seen an increase in users.

In the spring Cheryl Kozlowski left the department for another community. She was thorough, detail oriented and a pleasure to work with. We were very sorry to see her leave. We hired Michele Collins from the Arena to replace her. Michele has worked for the Town for over 10 years. She is quick, has a pleasant manner with customers and has a good sense of humor.

At the end of December Peggy Columbus retired from this office. Peggy had worked for the Town for over 29 years. There were many customers over the years who would come to the counter and specifically ask to see her. Her forte was working with and assisting people. There will be many townspeople who will miss seeing her smiling face. She will be missed by many.

And as always, I would like to thank my outstanding staff at this time, Paulette Gerry, my assistant, and my office staff, Kathleen Sullivan, Peggy Columbus and Michele Collins. It is due to their dedication, expertise and desire to help that this office runs as smoothly as it does.

Respectfully submitted by Diane M. Murphy, Treasurer/Tax Collector, CMMT

## **Unicorn and Stoneham Oaks Golf Courses**

2015 represented the second year that maintenance and course oversight was under the direction of the Public Works Department. Rick Armato and his staff did an outstanding job in maintaining the courses and this was reflected by the increased rounds of golf played and the larger profits made by the courses.

Last Year improvements resulted in the courses being opened with the greens in better condition than they were the year before.

The third tee on Unicorn was reconstructed by D.P.W. forces and this work changed the look and play of this hole and was applauded by many of the loyal golfers playing this hole.

Stoneham Oaks has never received the play that was anticipated when it was built in better economic times. Discussions have been held with the potential of swapping the land for a commercial development and acquiring additional recreational area on Franklin Street, (Weiss Farm).

Bid packages were also sent out to receive proposals for the private management and maintenance of the courses with the understanding that the Oaks might be closed.

Submitted by Department of Public Works



